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1 **[REPORT OF ACTION TAKEN IN CLOSED SESSION**
2 **TUESDAY, MAY 22, 2012, BEGINS ON PAGE 140.]**

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6 **SUP. YAROSLAVSKY, CHAIRMAN:** GOOD MORNING. GOOD MORNING. CALL
7 THE MEETING TO ORDER. AND FIRST OF ALL, I'D LIKE TO ASK
8 EVERYONE TO STAND FOR THE INVOCATION AND THE PLEDGE OF
9 ALLEGIANCE. THE INVOCATION WILL BE LED BY RABBI DEBORAH
10 SILVER, OF ADAT ARI EL, CONGREGATION VALLEY VILLAGE. AND THE
11 PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE WILL BE LED BY KEITH MORRIS, COMMANDER OF
12 THE JACKIE ROBINSON POST 252 OF THE AMERICAN LEGION. RABBI
13 SILVER.

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15 **RABBI DEBORAH SILVER:** IN GIVING THIS INVOCATION, I'M MINDFUL
16 OF THE HONOR THAT HAS BEEN ACCORDED TO ME TO ENABLE ME TO
17 STAND HERE AND I THANK YOU FOR IT. THIS WEEK, THE JEWISH
18 COMMUNITIES OF LOS ANGELES WILL BEGIN READING ONCE AGAIN THE
19 BOOK OF NUMBERS, THE ACCOUNT OF THE TRAVELS OF THE ISRAELITE
20 NATION IN THE DESERT, THOSE TRAVELS WHICH GAVE RISE TO THE
21 BASIS FOR MANY FAITHS. IN IT, THE ISRAELITES WILL LEARN HOW TO
22 BUILD COMMUNITY. AND THE LEVITES, THE TRIBE OF LEVI, WILL
23 LEARN TO ASSEMBLE AND DISMANTLE THE MESHCAM, THE DESERT
24 SANCTUARY, THE STRUCTURE OF THE COMMUNITY. THOSE SEEM LEVITES
25 WILL GO ON TO SERVE IN THE TEMPLE IN JERUSALEM AS ITS CHOIR.



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1 STANDING ON EITHER SIDE OF THE TEMPLE, THEY WILL SING THE
2 PSALMS OF EVERY DAY THAT ARE STILL REFLECTED IN THE SERVICES
3 THAT WE CONDUCT HERE. AND SO I PRAY THIS MORNING THAT LIKE THE
4 LEVITES, WE ARE INSPIRED IN THE WORK OF BUILDING COMMUNITY,
5 THAT THE ONE ABOVE US, THE ONE WHO LOVES US, FINDS PLEASURE IN
6 THE SOUND OF OUR SINGING. AND THAT IN ACCORDANCE WITH THE
7 WORDS OF THE PSALMS, THE WORK OF OUR HANDS IS SOUNDLY
8 ESTABLISHED. AND LET US SAY TOGETHER, AMEN.

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10 **KEITH MORRIS:** PLEASE REMAIN STANDING WHILE WE HONOR OUR FLAG.
11 [PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE RECITED.]

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13 **SUP. YAROSLAVSKY, CHAIRMAN:** MEMBERS OF THE BOARD, LADIES AND
14 GENTLEMEN, WE WERE LED IN THE INVOCATION THIS MORNING BY RABBI
15 DEBORAH SILVER, WHO IS CURRENTLY THE ASSISTANT RABBI AT
16 CONGREGATION ADAT ARI EL IN THE VALLEY VILLAGE IN THE SAN
17 FERNANDO VALLEY, AND ALSO TEACHES AT THE FLORENCE MELTON ADULT
18 MINI-SCHOOL IN THE CANEJO VALLEY. RABBI SILVER RECEIVED HER
19 MASTER OF ARTS IN RABBINIC STUDIES AND WAS ORDAINED IN 2010 BY
20 THE ZIEGLER SCHOOL AT THE AMERICAN JEWISH UNIVERSITY HERE IN
21 LOS ANGELES. RABBI SILVER WAS EDUCATED AT CAMBRIDGE UNIVERSITY
22 AND BECAME THE SENIOR ENGLISH EDITOR AT THE OXFORD ENGLISH-
23 HEBREW DICTIONARY OF CURRENT USAGE. SHE ALSO RECEIVED HER LAW
24 DEGREE AND SERVED AS ASSOCIATE PROFESSOR AT THE B.P.P. LAW
25 SCHOOL IN LONDON. SO YOU'RE A WOMAN FOR ALL SEASONS. AND I



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1 LOOK FORWARD, I'LL HOPE YOU STAY IN THIS CAREER FOR A WHILE.

2 THANK YOU VERY MUCH. [APPLAUSE.] SUPERVISOR RIDLEY-THOMAS?

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4 **SUP. RIDLEY-THOMAS:** THANK YOU, MR. CHAIRMAN AND COLLEAGUES.

5 I'M PLEASED TO WELCOME KEITH MORRIS, WHO SERVED AS A SERGEANT

6 IN THE U.S. ARMY FROM 1982 UNTIL 1989 AS A CORPORAL IN THE

7 U.S. MARINE CORPS FROM 1996 UNTIL 2001. HE WAS A MEMBER OF

8 SEVERAL UNITS DURING HIS TIME IN THE ARMED FORCES, INCLUDING

9 THE FIRST CAVALARY UNIT STATIONED IN FORT HOOD, TEXAS. HE

10 SERVED IN LEBANON, GRENADA, DESERT STORM AND DESERT SHIELD

11 THEATERS. HE IS HIGHLY DECORATED WITH HONORS INCLUDING THE

12 ARMY COMMENDATION MEDAL, ARMY ACHIEVEMENT MEDAL OR

13 HUMANITARIAN SERVICE MEDAL, GOOD CONDUCT SERVICE MEDAL AND A

14 NATIONAL DEFENSE SERVICE MEDAL. HE IS CURRENTLY A TEACHER WITH

15 THE LOS ANGELES UNIFIED SCHOOL DISTRICT, A COMMANDER WITH THE

16 AMERICAN LEGION JACKIE ROBINSON POST 252 IN LOS ANGELES. YOU

17 WILL WANT TO KNOW THAT MR. MORRIS IS A GRADUATE OF GEORGE

18 WASHINGTON HIGH SCHOOL IN LOS ANGELES AND HE'S A GRADUATE OF

19 CAL STATE UNIVERSITY, DOMINGUEZ HILL. HE HAS ONE DAUGHTER, AND

20 HAS LIVED IN SECOND DISTRICT FOR SOME 50 YEARS. AND SO IT IS

21 WITH THAT THAT WE THANK YOU FOR BRINGING THE INVOCATION, THE

22 PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE, MR. MORRIS, AND WE THANK YOU FOR YOUR

23 SERVICE TO OUR NATION. AND WE PRESENT THIS TO YOU ON BEHALF OF

24 THE ENTIRE BOARD OF SUPERVISORS HERE IN THE COUNTY OF LOS

25 ANGELES. THANK YOU AND GOD BLESS YOU. [APPLAUSE.]



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2 **SUP. YAROSLAVSKY, CHAIRMAN:** OKAY. THANK YOU VERY MUCH. SACHI,
3 CALL THE AGENDA?

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5 **CLERK SACHI HAMAI:** GOOD MORNING, MR. CHAIRMAN, MEMBERS OF THE
6 BOARD. WE WILL BEGIN TODAY'S AGENDA ON PAGE 3, AGENDA FOR THE
7 MEETING OF THE COMMUNITY DEVELOPMENT COMMISSION. ON ITEM NO.
8 1-D, WE WILL HOLD THIS ITEM WITH 1-H AND ITEM NO. 4 FOR THE
9 PUBLIC HEARING. ON PAGE 7, AGENDA FOR THE MEETING OF THE
10 HOUSING AUTHORITY, ITEM NO. 1-H. AGAIN ON THIS ITEM, WE WILL
11 HOLD THIS ITEM WITH ITEM NO. 1-D AND AGENDA ITEM NO. 4 FOR THE
12 PUBLIC HEARING. ON PAGE 8, PUBLIC HEARINGS, ITEMS 1-8, ON ITEM
13 NO. 2, AS INDICATED ON THE POSTED AGENDA, THE DIRECTOR OF
14 PUBLIC WORKS REQUESTS THAT THIS ITEM BE REFERRED BACK TO HER
15 DEPARTMENT. AND ON THIS ITEM, THERE'S A REQUEST FROM A MEMBER
16 OF THE PUBLIC TO HOLD IT. ON ITEM NO. 5, THE EXECUTIVE
17 DIRECTOR OF THE COMMUNITY DEVELOPMENT COMMISSION REQUESTS THAT
18 THIS ITEM BE CONTINUED TO JUNE 26, 2012.

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20 **SUP. YAROSLAVSKY, CHAIRMAN:** WHICH NUMBER IS THAT?

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22 **CLERK SACHI HAMAI:** ITEM NO. 5.

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24 **SUP. YAROSLAVSKY, CHAIRMAN:** YES. WITHOUT OBJECTION, SO
25 ORDERED.



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2 **CLERK SACHI HAMAI:** ON ITEM NO. 7, SUPERVISOR ANTONOVICH
3 REQUESTS THAT THIS ITEM BE CONTINUED TO JUNE 26, 2012.

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5 **SUP. YAROSLAVSKY, CHAIRMAN:** WITHOUT OBJECTION, SO ORDERED.

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7 **CLERK SACHI HAMAI:** AND THE REMAINING ITEMS UNDER THE PUBLIC
8 HEARINGS, WE WILL HOLD FOR THE PUBLIC HEARINGS. ON PAGE 12,
9 ADMINISTRATIVE MATTERS, BOARD OF SUPERVISORS ITEMS 9-20. ON
10 ITEM NO. 11 AND 12, THERE'S A REQUEST FROM A MEMBER OF THE
11 PUBLIC TO HOLD THESE ITEMS. ON ITEM NO. 14, SUPERVISOR KNABE
12 REQUESTS THAT THIS ITEM BE CONTINUED TWO WEEKS TO JUNE 6,
13 2012. AND ON THIS ITEM, THERE'S A REQUEST FROM A MEMBER OF THE
14 PUBLIC TO HOLD IT.

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16 **SUP. YAROSLAVSKY, CHAIRMAN:** YEAH, BUT WE'LL HAVE THE PUBLIC,
17 WE'LL HEAR FROM THE MEMBER OF THE PUBLIC AND THEN WE'LL
18 CONTINUE IT AFTER THAT.

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20 **CLERK SACHI HAMAI:** THANK YOU. ON ITEM NO. 15, THERE'S A
21 REQUEST FROM MEMBERS OF THE PUBLIC TO HOLD THIS ITEM. ON ITEM
22 NO. 19, SUPERVISOR KNABE AND A MEMBER OF THE PUBLIC REQUEST
23 THAT THIS ITEM BE HELD. AND THE REMAINING ITEMS UNDER THE
24 BOARD OF SUPERVISORS ARE BEFORE YOU.

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1 **SUP. YAROSLAVSKY, CHAIRMAN:** ALL RIGHT. IT'S MOVED BY KNABE.

2 SECONDED BY ANTONOVICH. WITHOUT OBJECTION, UNANIMOUS VOTE.

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4 **CLERK SACHI HAMAI:** ON PAGE 16, CONSENT CALENDAR, ITEMS 21

5 THROUGH 30. ON ITEM NO. 21, THERE'S A REQUEST FROM MEMBERS OF

6 THE PUBLIC TO HOLD THIS ITEM. ON ITEM NO. 23, THERE'S A

7 REQUEST FROM A MEMBER OF THE PUBLIC TO HOLD THIS ITEM. ON ITEM

8 NO. 24 AND 25 AND 26, THERE'S A REQUEST FROM A MEMBER OF THE

9 PUBLIC TO HOLD THESE ITEMS. ON ITEM NO. 27, SUPERVISOR RIDLEY-

10 THOMAS AND A MEMBER OF THE PUBLIC REQUEST THAT THIS ITEM BE

11 HELD. ON ITEM NO. 28, THE CHIEF EXECUTIVE OFFICER REQUESTS

12 THAT THIS ITEM BE CONTINUED ONE WEEK TO MAY 29, 2012.

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14 **SUP. YAROSLAVSKY, CHAIRMAN:** WITHOUT OBJECTION, SO ORDERED.

15

16 **CLERK SACHI HAMAI:** I'M SORRY, ON THIS ITEM, THERE'S A REQUEST

17 FROM A MEMBER OF THE PUBLIC TO HOLD IT.

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19 **SUP. YAROSLAVSKY, CHAIRMAN:** ON 28?

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21 **CLERK SACHI HAMAI:** YES. ON ITEM NO. 30, THERE'S A REQUEST FROM

22 A MEMBER OF THE PUBLIC TO HOLD THIS ITEM. SO ON THE CONSENT

23 CALENDAR, THERE ARE TWO ITEMS THAT ARE BEFORE YOU, AND THOSE

24 ITEMS ARE 22 AND 29.

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1 **SUP. YAROSLAVSKY, CHAIRMAN:** IT'S MOVED BY RIDLEY-THOMAS,
2 SECONDED BY KNABE. WITHOUT OBJECTION, UNANIMOUS VOTE.

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4 **CLERK SACHI HAMAI:** ON PAGE 21, ORDINANCE FOR INTRODUCTION, AND
5 I'LL READ THE SHORT TITLE IN FOR THE RECORD, THIS IS AN
6 ORDINANCE FOR INTRODUCTION AMENDING THE ELECTRICAL
7 TRANSMISSION AND DISTRIBUTION FRANCHISE GRANTED TO SOUTHERN
8 CALIFORNIA EDISON COMPANY. AND THIS ITEM, THERE'S A REQUEST
9 FROM MEMBERS OF THE PUBLIC TO HOLD IT. PAGE 22, MISCELLANEOUS
10 ADDITIONS TO THE AGENDA WHICH WERE POSTED MORE THAN 72 HOURS
11 IN ADVANCE OF THE MEETING AS INDICATED ON THE SUPPLEMENTAL
12 AGENDA. ON ITEM NO. 32-A, SUPERVISOR RIDLEY-THOMAS AND MEMBERS
13 OF THE PUBLIC REQUEST THAT THIS ITEM BE HELD. ON ITEM NO. 32-
14 B, SUPERVISOR KNABE AND SUPERVISOR ANTONOVICH VOTE NO ON THE
15 ITEM. AND ON THIS ITEM, THERE'S REQUESTS FROM MEMBERS OF THE
16 PUBLIC TO HOLD IT. ON PAGE 25, NOTICES OF CLOSED SESSION. ON
17 ITEM NO. CS-3, AS INDICATED ON THE SUPPLEMENTAL AGENDA, THE
18 ACTING COUNTY COUNSEL REQUESTS THAT THIS ITEM BE CONTINUED TO
19 JUNE 26, 2012. AND ON THIS ITEM, THERE'S A REQUEST FROM A
20 MEMBER OF THE PUBLIC TO HOLD IT. ON ITEM NO. CS-4, WHICH WAS
21 POSTED ON THE SUPPLEMENTAL AGENDA, THERE'S A REQUEST FROM A
22 MEMBER OF THE PUBLIC TO HOLD THIS ITEM. AND THAT COMPLETES THE
23 READING OF THE AGENDA. BOARD OF SUPERVISORS SPECIAL ITEMS
24 BEGIN WITH SUPERVISORIAL DISTRICT NO. 2.

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1 **SUP. YAROSLAVSKY, CHAIRMAN:** OKAY. SUPERVISOR RIDLEY-THOMAS, DO
2 YOU HAVE ANY PRESENTATIONS? NONE? INVITE DR. MARV SOUTHARD AND
3 THE GROUP OF FOLKS WHO ARE HERE ON "LET'S ERASE THE STIGMA
4 YOUTH DAY". PHILIPPE FONTILEA, CARLA BUCKINGHAM, MELISSA
5 RUGGLES, CLARA D'AGOSTINO AND ASHLEY FLORES. AND THERE ARE
6 SOME YOUNG FOLKS WHO ARE JOINING US, AS WELL. AMANDA BOCCELLI,
7 JOCELYN OROZCO, ALFRED RODRIGUEZ, JOSEPH BUOY, DEMI MANIBOG,
8 MARIA MANIBOG, FERNANDO RODRIGUEZ AND ERICA GASPAR. AS WE ARE
9 ALL TOO PAINFULLY AWARE HERE IN COUNTY GOVERNMENT, THE THIRD
10 LEADING CAUSE OF DEATH AMONG ADOLESCENTS TODAY IS SUICIDE. AND
11 SADLY, ONLY 3 OUT OF 10 INDIVIDUALS WHO NEED HELP ACTUALLY
12 SEEK IT. LET'S ERASE THE STIGMA EDUCATIONAL FOUNDATION,
13 OTHERWISE KNOWN AS LETS, IS A YOUTH ORGANIZATION DEDICATED TO
14 CHANGING THE PERCEPTION OF MENTAL ILLNESS THROUGH EDUCATIONAL
15 PROGRAMS TO STIMULATE INTEREST AND AWARENESS ABOUT MENTAL
16 HEALTH ISSUES WHERE PREVIOUSLY THERE HAD BEEN VERY LITTLE
17 INVOLVEMENT. ON WEDNESDAY, MAY 23, AT THE CALIFORNIA
18 ENDOWMENT, LETS, IN PARTNERSHIP WITH THE DEPARTMENT OF MENTAL
19 HEALTH, WILL HOST ITS ANNUAL YOUTH SUMMIT, AN INAUGURAL EVENT
20 DESIGNED TO OFFER YOUTH A PLATFORM TO DEMONSTRATE LEADERSHIP
21 AND TO FOCUS ON MENTAL HEALTH AND SOCIAL INCLUSION ISSUES
22 WHERE 350 DIVERSE BACKGROUND HIGH SCHOOL STUDENTS IN LOS
23 ANGELES COUNTY WILL HAVE AN OPPORTUNITY TO DISCUSS OPENLY
24 MENTAL ILLNESS AND ASSOCIATED STIGMA. DEDICATING THIS YEARLY
25 DAY TO OUTREACH AND EDUCATION WILL ENCOURAGE OUR YOUTH, OUR



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1 TEACHERS AND OUR FRIENDS AND FAMILIES AS WELL AS HEALTHCARE
2 PROVIDERS TO SUPPORT OUR YOUNG PEOPLE BEFORE AND DURING THE
3 JOURNEY THROUGH ADOLESCENCE AT THE TIME WHEN MANY PSYCHIATRIC
4 DISORDERS FIRST BECOME APPARENT. SO THE BOARD OF SUPERVISORS
5 WANTS TO TAKE THIS OPPORTUNITY TO PROCLAIM MAY 23, 2012, LET'S
6 ERASE THE STIGMA YOUTH DAY IN THE COUNTY OF LOS ANGELES IN
7 RECOGNITION OF THE LET'S ERASE THE STIGMA EDUCATIONAL
8 FOUNDATION'S ANNUAL YOUTH SUMMIT AND ITS SUPPORT OF LETS'
9 EFFORTS TO MOTIVATE OTHERS TO JOIN TOGETHER IN ERASING THE
10 STIGMA OF MENTAL ILLNESS. MARV, I'LL ASK YOU TO JOIN ME AND
11 LET ME PRESENT THIS TO YOU, AND ASK YOU TO SAY A FEW WORDS AND
12 INTRODUCE ANYONE ELSE YOU WOULD LIKE TO. BUT WE APPRECIATE
13 VERY MUCH THE WORK THE FOUNDATION IS DOING. AND THIS IS VERY
14 IMPORTANT WORK BECAUSE TOO MANY YOUNGSTERS ARE FINDING THEIR
15 WAY TO SUICIDE. AND IT'S JUST INCOMPREHENSIBLE TO MOST OF US
16 AND JUST A LITTLE TOUCH FROM US, FROM PARENTS, FROM TEACHERS,
17 FROM COUNSELORS, CLERGY CAN MAKE THE DIFFERENCE BETWEEN LIFE
18 AND DEATH FOR KIDS WHO ARE TRYING TO DEAL WITH THE ISSUES OF
19 ADOLESCENCE AND ALL THE OTHER COMPLICATIONS THAT ADOLESCENCE
20 BRINGS ALONG WITH IT. SO MARV, THIS IS FOR YOU.

21

22 **DR. MARVIN SOUTHARD:** MR. CHAIRMAN, I'D LIKE TO THANK YOU AND
23 THE BOARD FOR THIS DAY BECAUSE I THINK THIS AWARENESS COULD
24 NOT BE MORE IMPORTANT. I THINK ONE OF THE THINGS WE'VE LEARNED
25 IN AMERICAN SOCIETY IS THAT WHEN WE EXCLUDE PEOPLE, WE HARM



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1 THEM. AND AMONG ADOLESCENTS, THE SENSE OF BEING LEFT OUT,
2 BEING EXCLUDED, IS ONE OF THE MOST HARMFUL THINGS THAT CAN
3 HAPPEN IN A PERSON'S DEVELOPMENTAL PATH. SO THE LETS
4 FOUNDATION'S VIEW IS THAT EVERYTHING HAS A PLACE AND EVERYBODY
5 DESERVES TO BE INCLUDED. AND THEY HAVE CREATED A DYNAMIC,
6 EVIDENCE-BASED PRACTICE FOR INCLUDING ADOLESCENTS IN THE
7 MAINSTREAM OF HIGH SCHOOL LIFE. SO I'D LIKE TO ASK PHILIPPE
8 FONTILEA TO SAY JUST A FEW WORDS ABOUT THE WORK OF THE LETS
9 FOUNDATION AND HOW WE'RE TRYING TO MAKE SURE THAT EVERYONE IN
10 L.A. COUNTY HAS A SENSE OF BEING INCLUDED IN THE MAINSTREAM.

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12 **PHILIPPE FONTILEA:** FIRST I'D LIKE TO THANK SUPERVISOR
13 YAROSLAVSKY. I SAID IT CORRECT THIS YEAR. [LAUGHTER.] DR.
14 MARVIN SOUTHARD, AND DR. ROBIN KAY AND FLORA. THANK YOU, AS
15 WELL, FOR ALL YOUR HELP. AND WITHOUT YOUR SUPPORT, THE LETS
16 EDUCATIONAL FOUNDATION WOULDN'T BE A NATIONAL EVIDENCE-BASED
17 CHILDREN'S CHARITY THAT'S ACTUALLY PREVENTING CHILDREN FROM
18 COMMITTING SUICIDE. ONE OF OUR SAYINGS THAT WE HAVE WITHIN THE
19 ORGANIZATION IS: HOW MUCH DOES A SECRET WEIGH? HOW MUCH DOES A
20 SECRET WEIGH TO A 14-YEAR-OLD? TO A 15-YEAR-OLD? TO A 16-YEAR-
21 OLD WHO IS DEALING WITH THE STRESSES OF LIFE? AND THE CURRENT
22 MODEL, WHICH IS TO TALK AND TELL THEM WHAT TO DO, HASN'T
23 WORKED. SO WHAT LETS DOES IS GIVES THEM THE EMPOWERMENT TO DO
24 IT ON THEIR OWN. AND WHAT WE'VE SEEN IS A HUGE CHANGE. WHAT
25 WE'VE SEEN IS KIDS COMING FORTH AND SAYING WE NEED LETS. WE



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1 WANT LETS, WE WANT TO HAVE THE OPPORTUNITY TO HELP EACH OTHER.
2 AND THAT'S WHAT WE'VE DONE. SO I WANT TO SAY THANK YOU TO THE
3 BOARD OF SUPERVISORS AND THE DEPARTMENT OF HEALTH AND THE
4 COUNTY OF LOS ANGELES BECAUSE RIGHT NOW, LOS ANGELES COUNTY IS
5 THE LEADER IN YOUTH MENTAL HEALTH AND MAKING A CHANGE AND
6 PREVENTING BULLYING AND TEEN SUICIDE. SO THANK YOU AND THANK
7 ALL OF YOU FOR BEING A PART OF THIS. AND ONE QUICK THING IS
8 ACTUALLY WE HAVE SOMEONE FROM OUR PHILADELPHIA, ONE OF OUR
9 PHILADELPHIA LETS SCHOOLS THAT CAME HERE TO COME AND PRESENT
10 AT OUR EVENT TOMORROW. SO AMANDA, THANK YOU FOR COMING AND
11 THANK YOU FOR WHAT EVERYONE IS DOING. SO THANK YOU. [APPLAUSE.]

12

13 **SUP. YAROSLAVSKY, CHAIRMAN:** NEXT I'D LIKE TO CALL GAIL FARBER
14 UP. EVERY YEAR, NATIONAL PUBLIC WORKS WEEK SERVES AS A
15 REMINDER OF THE VALUE OF PUBLIC WORKS IN OUR COMMUNITIES. AND
16 AS PART OF THIS CELEBRATION, PUBLIC WORKS OFFICIALS ACROSS
17 AMERICA STRIVE TO INCREASE PUBLIC AWARENESS AND APPRECIATION
18 OF THEIR PROFESSION. THIS YEAR'S NATIONAL THEME IS PUBLIC
19 WORKS, CREATING A LASTING IMPRESSION, WHICH REMINDS US THAT
20 PUBLIC WORKS INFRASTRUCTURE, FACILITIES AND SERVICES ARE OF
21 VITAL IMPORTANCE TO THE HEALTH, SAFETY AND WELL-BEING OF THE
22 PEOPLE OF THIS COUNTY. THE THEME SPEAKS TO THE NEVER ENDING
23 EFFORT OF PUBLIC WORKS PROFESSIONALS TO USE SUSTAINABLE
24 SOLUTIONS TO BRING THEIR COMMUNITIES THE HIGHEST POSSIBLE
25 QUALITY OF LIFE WITHIN A FRAMEWORK OF ENVIRONMENTAL, SOCIAL



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1 AND ECONOMIC RESPONSIBILITY. THE MISSION OF THE LOS ANGELES
2 COUNTY DEPARTMENT OF PUBLIC WORKS IS TO PROVIDE PUBLIC
3 INFRASTRUCTURE AND MUNICIPAL SERVICES TO PROTECT AND ENRICH
4 THE DAILY LIVES OF OVER 10 MILLION PEOPLE IN LOS ANGELES
5 COUNTY, AND THAT CHARGE IS DEMONSTRATED THROUGH THE SERVICE-
6 ORIENTED RESOLVE OF OUR PUBLIC WORKS EMPLOYEES, FROM
7 ADMINISTRATORS AND SUPPORT STAFF TO OUR CREWS IN THE FIELD. SO
8 THE BOARD OF SUPERVISORS WANTS TO TAKE THIS OPPORTUNITY TO
9 DECLARE AND PROCLAIM MAY 20 THROUGH MAY 26 NATIONAL PUBLIC
10 WORKS WEEK THROUGHOUT THE COUNTY OF LOS ANGELES. AND THAT ALL
11 RESIDENTS ARE ENCOURAGED TO REFLECT THE PRIDE, WITH PRIDE AND
12 GRATITUDE ON THE CONTRIBUTIONS AND PROFESSIONAL
13 ACCOMPLISHMENTS OF OUR PUBLIC WORKS DEPARTMENT AND ITS
14 EMPLOYEES. SO WE'RE JOINED BY GAIL FARBER, THE DIRECTOR OF THE
15 DEPARTMENT OF PUBLIC WORKS AND A WHOLE BUNCH OF OTHER FOLKS
16 FROM THE DEPARTMENT OF PUBLIC WORKS. GLAD THIS WASN'T ON A
17 FRIDAY. [LAUGHTER.] WE ARE VERY PROUD OF OUR DEPARTMENT OF
18 PUBLIC WORKS. AND MANY OF THE COMMUNITIES IN LOS ANGELES
19 COUNTY HAVE COME TO RELY BOTH IN GOOD TIMES AND IN CRISES ON
20 THE DEPARTMENT, AND IT'S ONE OF THE GREAT DEPARTMENTS OF ITS
21 KIND ANYWHERE IN THE COUNTRY, IF NOT THE BEST. AND IT
22 CERTAINLY HAS THE MOST DIVERSE SET OF CHALLENGES TO DEAL WITH
23 OF ANY COUNTY IN THE COUNTRY. AND WE APPRECIATE THE GREAT WORK
24 THAT YOU AND YOUR STAFF DO DAY IN AND DAY OUT TO KEEP OUR
25 STREETS PAVED, AND THEY ARE, AND OUR TREES TRIMMED. AND THEN



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1 WHEN WE HAVE FLOODS AND EARTHQUAKES AND OTHER CALAMITIES, IT'S
2 THE PUBLIC WORKS DEPARTMENT THAT'S CALLED IN TO RESTORE WHAT'S
3 BEEN DAMAGED. AND YOU GUYS DO JUST AN ABSOLUTELY SPECTACULAR
4 JOB. AND THE WORK YOU'RE DOING ON WATER QUALITY AND SOME OF
5 THE MORE FAR-REACHING, FORWARD-LOOKING THINGS THAT YOUR
6 DEPARTMENT'S DOING, IT'S A TRIBUTE TO YOUR DEPARTMENT THAT
7 YOU'RE A 21ST CENTURY DEPARTMENT IN EVERY WAY AND WE
8 APPRECIATE IT VERY MUCH. CONGRATULATIONS.

9

10 **GAIL FARBER:** THANK YOU, SUPERVISOR, MEMBERS OF THE BOARD. I'M
11 REALLY PROUD OF THIS EXECUTIVE MANAGEMENT TEAM THAT JOINED ME
12 UP HERE TODAY. THANK YOU FOR RECOGNIZING THE WORK THAT PUBLIC
13 WORKS DOES. THAT'S WHAT WE DO, PROTECTING, ENRICHING LIVES,
14 AND THE MEN AND WOMEN OF PUBLIC WORKS ARE PROUD TO SERVE. SO
15 THANK YOU. [APPLAUSE.]

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17 **SUP. YAROSLAVSKY, CHAIRMAN:** SUPERVISOR KNABE?

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19 **SUP. YAROSLAVSKY, CHAIRMAN:** IT'S A PLEASURE FOR ME TO
20 INTRODUCE OUR 2011 -- EXCEPT WE'RE IN 2012, BUT THAT'S ALL
21 RIGHT -- L.A. COUNTY SUPER STARS. L.A. COUNTY SUPER STARS IS
22 THE ANNUAL AWARD BESTOWED TO THE BEST AND BRIGHTEST EMPLOYEES
23 OF THE COUNTY OF LOS ANGELES. TODAY WE ARE RECOGNIZING ONE
24 INDIVIDUAL AND ONE TEAM. AND FOR THE FIRST TIME EVER, THEY ARE
25 BOTH IN THE SAME DEPARTMENT. WOW. FIRST I'D LIKE TO CALL ON



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1 DAVID KILGORE, DEPUTY DIRECTOR FROM THE CHILD SUPPORT SERVICES
2 DEPARTMENT. MR. KILGORE IS THE 2011 INDIVIDUAL WINNER THE
3 CATEGORY OF SERVICE EXCELLENCE AND ORGANIZATIONAL
4 EFFECTIVENESS. IN OCTOBER 2008, THE DEPARTMENT TRANSITIONED TO
5 C.S.E., THE STATEWIDE AUTOMATED SUPPORT SYSTEM. WHILE THE
6 AUTOMATED SYSTEM PERFORMS MANY ROUTINE CHILD SUPPORT
7 ENFORCEMENT ACTIVITIES WITHOUT WORKER INTERVENTION, MANY
8 CRITICAL STEPS TO ESTABLISH AND ENFORCE SUPPORT RELY ON HUMAN
9 ACTION. TO ADDRESS THIS, MR. KILGORE DESIGNED THE CASE
10 MANAGEMENT TOOL, A SOFTWARE APPLICATION THAT ORGANIZES CASES
11 BY DIVISION. BY DIVISION, TEAM AND CASEWORKER. THIS TOOL
12 PERMITS THE USERS TO IDENTIFY, ANALYZE AND TAKE TIMELY ACTION
13 ON CASES. AS A DIRECT RESULT, THE CHILD SUPPORT SERVICES
14 DEPARTMENT ANNUAL PERFORMANCE OF 2009-2010 NOT ONLY MET BUT
15 EXCEEDED GOALS ESTABLISHED BY THE STATE OF CALIFORNIA. THE
16 CASE MANAGEMENT TOOL HAS BEEN ADOPTED FOR USE STATEWIDE AND IS
17 BEING USED IN ALMOST EVERY COUNTY IN THE STATE. PLEASE JOIN ME
18 IN CONGRATULATING DAVID KILGORE FOR HIS INNOVATION AND VISION
19 TO ACHIEVE SERVICE EXCELLENCE AND ORGANIZATIONAL
20 EFFECTIVENESS. CONGRATULATIONS. [APPLAUSE.] THIS IS DAVID'S
21 SON ZEV. IT'S HIGHLY UNUSUAL TO HAVE TWO ZEVS IN THE SAME ROOM
22 ANYWHERE IN LOS ANGELES COUNTY. WE'LL CALL THE GUINNESS BOOK
23 OF RECORDS. LET ME CALL ON STEVE GOLIGHTLY TO SAY A WORD ABOUT
24 DAVID.

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1 **STEVE GOLIGHTLY:** THANK YOU, SUPERVISOR, AND GOOD MORNING. YOU
2 KNOW, DAVID'S CREATIVITY AND HIS PASSION FOR HIS WORK IS
3 EXHIBITED BY MANY OF OUR COLLEAGUES THROUGHOUT THE DEPARTMENT
4 EVERY DAY. BUT WHAT SETS DAVID APART IS HIS VISIONARY APPROACH
5 TO SOLVING PROBLEMS AND OF FIGURING OUT WAYS IN HOW TO IMPROVE
6 OUTCOMES FOR THE CHILDREN AND THE FAMILIES WHO COUNT ON US.
7 HIS IMAGINATION AND HIS FORESIGHT HAS RESULTED IN HELPING NOT
8 ONLY OUR STAFF AND OUR CUSTOMERS HERE IN LOS ANGELES COUNTY
9 BUT OVER 7,000 CHILD SUPPORT PROFESSIONALS THROUGHOUT THE
10 STATE OF CALIFORNIA WHO HAVE RESPONSIBILITY FOR OVER 1.5
11 MILLION CASES IN THIS GREAT STATE. HE'S TRULY DESERVING OF
12 THIS RECOGNITION, AND I AM SO VERY PROUD OF HIM TO BE HERE
13 THIS MORNING AND DELIGHTED THAT HE ALSO COULD BE HERE WITH HIS
14 WIFE JESSICA AND HIS SON ZEV. THANK YOU. [APPLAUSE.]

15

16 **SUP. YAROSLAVSKY, CHAIRMAN:** LIKE MOST OF OUR CITIZENS, HE IS
17 ANXIOUS TO GET OUT OF HERE. [LAUGHTER.] ALL RIGHT. I WAS JUST
18 TELLING THE KILGORES THAT THERE WAS A HORSE BY THE NAME OF ZEV
19 THAT WON THE KENTUCKY DERBY IN 1923. AND I'M NOT NAMED AFTER
20 THE HORSE, NEITHER IS HE. NEXT I'D LIKE TO CALL UP AND WELCOME
21 THE CALL CENTER FINANCIAL INSTITUTION DATA MATCH PROJECT TEAM
22 FROM THE CHILD SUPPORT SERVICES DEPARTMENT. HERE THEY COME.
23 THEY ARE THE 2011 WINNING TEAM IN THE CATEGORY OF SERVICE
24 EXCELLENCE AND ORGANIZATIONAL EFFECTIVENESS. THIS TEAM HAS
25 BEEN RESPONSIBLE FOR ESTABLISHING AND ENFORCING CHILD SUPPORT



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1 OBLIGATIONS FOR MORE THAN 350,000 CASES IN LOS ANGELES COUNTY.
2 THE TEAM MEMBERS ARE EXPERT NEGOTIATORS. IN ONE YEAR'S PERIOD
3 THEY ANSWERED OVER 33,000 CALLS ABOUT BANK LEVIES. THE AMOUNT
4 OF UNPAID SUPPORT THAT THEY SUCCESSFULLY COLLECTED FROM THESE
5 ACCOUNTS EXCEEDED \$6 MILLION. THE FINANCIAL INSTITUTION DATA
6 MATCH PROJECT TEAM IS A TRUE EXAMPLE OF COUNTY EMPLOYEES
7 WORKING TOGETHER IN THE BEST TRADITION OF EXCELLENCE TO SERVE
8 THE PUBLIC'S NEEDS. I THINK WE ALL APPRECIATE AND UNDERSTAND
9 THIS IS NOT EASY WORK. BUT FOR EVERY DOLLAR YOU'RE ABLE TO
10 SPRING LOOSE, IT'S A DOLLAR THAT GOES TO SUPPORT A CHILD WHO
11 OTHERWISE WOULD BE A LITTLE BIT BEHIND THE 8 BALL. SO WE
12 APPRECIATE ALL YOUR WORK VERY MUCH, YOUR SUCCESS AND
13 CONGRATULATIONS ON THIS SINGULAR AWARD. AND LET ME ASK STEVE
14 GOLIGHTLY TO SAY A WORD ABOUT THIS TEAM. STEVE?

15

16 **STEVE GOLIGHTLY:** THANK YOU VERY MUCH, SUPERVISOR. THIS
17 INCREDIBLE GROUP OF INDIVIDUALS STANDING BEHIND ME TRULY
18 DEFINES THE ESSENCE OF TEAMWORK. THEY'VE MASTERED THE ART OF
19 NEGOTIATION, HANDLING THOUSANDS OF CALLS FROM INDIVIDUALS WHO
20 OFTENTIMES ARE NOT VERY HAPPY WITH US WHEN THEY REACH US. YOU
21 KNOW, THEIR DEDICATION AND THEIR COMMITMENT TO THE THOUSANDS
22 OF CHILDREN AND FAMILIES THAT COUNT ON US IN THIS COUNTY HAS
23 RESULTED IN THE COLLECTION CURRENTLY OF EXCESS OF OVER \$10
24 MILLION AS A RESULT OF THEIR PARTICULAR WORK. YOU KNOW, BUT
25 IT'S SOMETHING MORE THAN THAT, MORE THAN THE COLLECTION AND



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1 THE DOLLARS; IT'S THEIR PASSION. IT'S THEIR ZEAL THAT SETS
2 THEM APART. THIS TEAM IS TRULY DESERVING OF THIS RECOGNITION.
3 AND AS I SAID A FEW MOMENTS AGO ABOUT DAVID, I'M SO VERY PROUD
4 OF ALL OF THEM. AND I WOULD ADD THAT THE REASON THAT WE ALL
5 ARE SO SUCCESSFUL EVERY DAY IN DOING OUR WORK IN CHILD SUPPORT
6 AND MANY OF MY COLLEAGUES ARE HERE TODAY, IS BECAUSE OF THE
7 ONGOING SUPPORT THAT WE RECEIVE FROM THE MEMBERS OF THE BOARD
8 OF SUPERVISORS AND FROM THE C.E.O. HIMSELF. SO THANK YOU VERY
9 MUCH FOR THIS RECOGNITION. [APPLAUSE.] [APPLAUSE.]

10

11 **SUP. YAROSLAVSKY, CHAIRMAN:** SUPERVISOR KNABE?

12

13 **SUP. KNABE:** THANK YOU, MR. CHAIRMAN, MEMBERS OF THE BOARD. IT
14 IS MY PRIVILEGE TO WELCOME UP HERE MR. BRIAN MOORE OF THE U.S.
15 ARMY CORPS OF ENGINEERS. AND JOINING BRIAN TODAY IS OUR
16 DIRECTOR OF PUBLIC WORKS, GAIL FARBER, AND OUR DIRECTOR OF
17 BEACHES AND HARBORS, SANTOS KREIMANN. BRIAN IS RETIRING AFTER
18 AN OUTSTANDING 43-YEAR CAREER WITH THE CORPS. THROUGHOUT THAT
19 CAREER, HE HAS PROVIDED MANAGEMENT AND LEADERSHIP ON SCORES OF
20 VITAL WATER PROJECTS IN CALIFORNIA, ARIZONA, NEVADA AND UTAH,
21 AND MORE SPECIFICALLY IN LOS ANGELES COUNTY. ONE OF THE
22 LARGEST AND MOST SIGNIFICANT PROJECTS HE WORKED ON FOR US AND
23 THE FLOOD CONTROL DISTRICT WAS THE LOS ANGELES COUNTY DRAINAGE
24 AREA PROJECT, THE OLD L.A.C.D.A. PROJECT, THAT BEGAN IN THE
25 LATE 1980S AND INTO THE EARLY 1990S. THIS WAS AN INCREDIBLY



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1 IMPORTANT PROJECT FOR OUR COUNTY BECAUSE NOT ONLY DID IT
2 INCREASE FLOOD PROTECTION, IT REMOVED THE MANDATORY FLOOD
3 INSURANCE FOR THOUSANDS OF OUR LOS ANGELES COUNTY HOMEOWNERS
4 AS WELL AS BUSINESS OWNERS. UNDER HIS STEWARDSHIP IN THE EARLY
5 STAGES, THE HYDRAULIC ANALYSIS IDENTIFIED THE MAGNITUDE OF THE
6 PROBLEM AND COORDINATED PLANNING LED TO COMPLETION OF OUR
7 L.A.C.D.A. STUDY AND ENVIRONMENTAL IMPACT STATEMENT WHICH WAS
8 A KEY TO GETTING THE PROJECT APPROVED BY CONGRESS AND OUR
9 CHAMPION, STEVE HORN, WHO WAS PART OF THAT. AND UNDER HIS
10 STEWARDSHIP, THAT EFFORT LED TO THE APPROVAL, I MEAN NOT ONLY
11 APPROVAL, BUT FUNDING BY CONGRESS, PROVIDED CERTAINLY MANY
12 PROJECT MANAGEMENT DURING THE PLANNING STAGES AS WELL AS THE
13 SIX-YEAR CONSTRUCTION PERIOD. AS MANY OF YOU KNOW, THE
14 L.A.C.D.A. PROJECT WENT ON TO WIN NUMEROUS AWARDS AND IN NO
15 SMALL PART DUE TO BRIAN'S CONTRIBUTIONS. THE MOST IMPORTANT
16 THING ABOUT THAT, IT WAS PROBABLY ONE OF THE BEST PUBLIC-
17 PUBLIC-PUBLIC PARTNERSHIPS EVER. THAT PROJECT WAS FINISHED
18 THREE YEARS AHEAD OF SCHEDULE AND SAVED THE TAXPAYERS ABOUT
19 \$150 MILLION. SO, BRIAN HAS ALSO LED OUR REGIONAL COASTAL
20 STUDIES IN CALIFORNIA, OUR MASSIVE DREDGING PROJECTS GOING ON
21 IN MARINA DEL REY AS WE SPEAK, INCLUDING PAST AND THE CURRENT
22 EFFORTS TO DO WHAT WE NEED TO DO FOR NAVIGATION PURPOSES, FOR
23 OUR FIRST RESPONDERS AND RECREATIONAL BOATERS ALIKE. SO THE
24 CURRENT DREDGING THAT'S GOING ON IN THE MARINA WILL ALSO HELP
25 THE EXPANSION OF THE PORT OF LONG BEACH AND DEAL WITH THE



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1 EROSION THAT THEY HAVE DOWN THERE. SO HE'S BEEN AN INTEGRAL
2 PART NOT ONLY OF THE ARMY CORPS BUT SUCH A GREAT PARTNER TO
3 LOS ANGELES COUNTY. AND I COULD SPECIFICALLY SAY IF IT WERE
4 NOT FOR HIS LEADERSHIP, STEWARDSHIP AND PERSEVERANCE, WE
5 WOULDN'T HAVE WHAT WE HAVE TODAY TO BENEFIT THE CITIZENS AND
6 THE SAFETY OF LOS ANGELES COUNTY. SO, BRIAN, WE WANT TO THANK
7 YOU FOR YOUR 43 YEARS OF SERVICE. I WISH YOU WELL IN
8 RETIREMENT. AND GOOD HEALTH. [APPLAUSE.]

9

10 **BRIAN MOORE:** THANK YOU, SUPERVISOR KNABE, IT'S A REAL HONOR
11 AND PRIVILEGE FOR ME TO ACCEPT AND RECEIVE THIS AWARD, BUT I
12 WOULD BE REMISS IN NOT RECOGNIZING THE GREAT FOLKS IN LOS
13 ANGELES, ESPECIALLY THE 700 PEOPLE BEHIND ME THAT HAVE DONE A
14 LOT OF WORK OVER THE YEARS TO MAKE OUR PARTNERSHIP SUCCESSFUL.
15 SO I ALSO ACCEPT THIS IN RECOGNITION OF THEIR WORK AS WELL.
16 AND I THINK WE HAVE HAD A GREAT PARTNERSHIP WITH LOS ANGELES
17 COUNTY OVER THE YEARS I'VE BEEN WORKING WITH THE COUNTY.
18 CERTAINLY IN YOUR PARKS AND RECREATION DEPARTMENT, WE BROUGHT
19 GREAT RECREATIONAL OPPORTUNITIES TO LOS ANGELES COUNTY IN OUR
20 FACILITIES AT SANTA FE DAM AND WHITTIER NARROWS DAM. CERTAINLY
21 WITH YOUR DIRECTOR OF BEACHES AND HARBORS, SANTOS KREIMANN AND
22 HIS GREAT STAFF, WE'VE DONE A LOT TO BRING COMMERCIAL AND
23 RECREATIONAL NAVIGATION TO MARINA DEL REY AND ALSO MADE IT
24 SAFE FOR EMERGENCY RESPONSE AT THAT HARBOR, AS WELL. AND IN
25 ADDITION, WE'VE DONE A LOT TO HELP RESTORE AND PROTECT THE



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1 BEACHES IN LOS ANGELES COUNTY, ALSO. OUR LONGEST PARTNERSHIP
2 HAS BEEN WITH THE DEPARTMENT OF PUBLIC WORKS. CERTAINLY YOUR
3 DIRECTOR, GAIL FARBER, AND HER DEPUTIES, MARK ROCHELLA AND
4 DAVID CARDENA, HAVE BEEN GREAT REPRESENTATIVES OF THE COUNTY.
5 WE'VE ENJOYED WORKING TREMENDOUSLY WITH THEM. TOGETHER, WE
6 OPERATE THIS MASSIVE SYSTEM AS YOU DESCRIBED IN YOUR REMARKS,
7 SIR, FOR THE GOOD OF THE PEOPLE OF LOS ANGELES COUNTY. AND
8 EVEN TODAY, WE'RE DEVELOPING MORE OPPORTUNITIES TO IMPROVE
9 THAT SYSTEM AND EVEN RECOGNIZING ENVIRONMENTAL OTHER BENEFITS
10 THE SYSTEM CAN PROVIDE WELL. SO, AGAIN, THANK YOU VERY MUCH
11 FOR THIS HONOR AND AWARD. I REALLY FEEL PRIVILEGED TO ACCEPT
12 IT. I WILL BE LEAVING, BUT THERE WILL BE OTHER FOLKS IN THE
13 CORPS OF ENGINEERS BEHIND ME THAT WILL CONTINUE THIS
14 PARTNERSHIP IN THE FUTURE. I EXPECT EVEN GREATER THINGS ARE
15 GOING TO HAPPEN WITH OUR GREAT AGENCIES WORKING TOGETHER.
16 AGAIN, THANK YOU VERY MUCH. [APPLAUSE.]

17

18 **SUP. KNABE:** GAIL AND SANTOS?

19

20 **GAIL FARBER:** ON BEHALF OF THE DEPARTMENT OF PUBLIC WORKS, AS
21 CHIEF OF THE FLOOD CONTROL DISTRICT, I WANT TO PRESENT YOU,
22 BRIAN, WITH AN OFFICIAL HAT OF THE FLOOD CONTROL DISTRICT. AND
23 ALL YOUR HELP. BRIAN HAS BEEN INSTRUMENTAL, AS THE SCROLLS
24 SAY, IT DOESN'T SAY ENOUGH, THANK YOU ABOUT YOUR KIND WORDS
25 ABOUT THE DEPARTMENT. THE PARTNERSHIP BETWEEN THE DEPARTMENT



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1 OF PUBLIC WORKS AND THE FLOOD CONTROL DISTRICT IN WORKING WITH
2 THE ARMY CORPS OF ENGINEERS ALONG WITH OUR OTHER DEPARTMENT
3 WITH SANTOS KREIMANN, STAFF OF BEACHES AND HARBORS, WITHOUT
4 BRIAN'S SUPPORT AND PARTNERSHIP WITH THE ARMY CORPS OF
5 ENGINEERS, MANY OF THE PROJECTS IF NOT ALL OF THE PROJECTS
6 THAT WE DO THROUGHOUT THE COUNTY TO PROTECT WATER QUALITY,
7 PROVIDE FLOOD RISK PROTECTION, ENHANCING THE ENVIRONMENT
8 WOULDN'T HAPPEN WITHOUT YOUR HELP AND LEADERSHIP IN GUIDING
9 OUR PROJECTS THROUGH YOU THE NECESSARY PERMITS, REVIEWS AND
10 APPROVALS. IT TAKES A PARTNERSHIP. AND I JUST WANT TO THANK
11 YOU FOR YOUR LEADERSHIP AND SUPPORT AND BEING SUCH A GOOD
12 PARTNER WITH US AND WISH YOU THE BEST. AND WE WILL CONTINUE TO
13 LOOK YOU UP AND HELP STREAMLINE OUR PROJECTS. THANK YOU SO
14 MUCH. [APPLAUSE.]

15

16 **SANTOS KREIMANN:** BRIAN, ON BEHALF OF THE DEPARTMENT OF BEACHES
17 AND HARBORS AND THE COUNTY OF LOS ANGELES, I WANT TO SAY THANK
18 YOU VERY MUCH FOR ALL YOUR HARD WORK AND YOUR PERSEVERANCE. I
19 KNOW THAT THE DREDGE PROJECT WAS A MULTI-YEAR EFFORT ON YOUR
20 PART AND OUR PART AND OF COURSE THE PORT OF LONG BEACH. IT
21 DEFINITELY WAS A PROJECT THAT IS A MODEL THAT WE CAN CERTAINLY
22 USE AS WE MOVE FORWARD AND TRY TO IMPROVE THE LIVES OF ALL THE
23 MEN AND WOMEN THAT LIVE IN LOS ANGELES COUNTY. THE ONE THING
24 THAT I DO WANT TO SAY IS THAT I TRULY APPRECIATE THE FACT THAT
25 YOU'VE SET A TREMENDOUS FOUNDATION FOR OUR RELATIONSHIP TO



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1 CONTINUE ON EVEN AFTER YOU'VE GONE ON TO BIGGER AND BETTER
2 THINGS. AND SO I JUST WANT TO WISH YOU AND YOUR FAMILY GOOD
3 HEALTH AND A LONG, WONDERFUL AND HAPPY RETIREMENT. THANK YOU
4 VERY MUCH. [APPLAUSE.]

5

6 **SUP. YAROSLAVSKY, CHAIRMAN:** SUPERVISOR ANTONOVICH?

7

8 **SUP. ANTONOVICH:** THIS IS A MAN WHO'S REALLY DEVOTED HIS LIFE
9 TO SERVING OTHERS, AND THAT'S BUD BROWN, WHO IS HERE WITH HIS
10 BEAUTIFUL WIFE, ALTHEA. HE SERVED OUR COUNTY FOR OVER 35
11 YEARS. VETERAN OF THE UNITED STATES ARMY. HE BEGAN HIS CAREER
12 WITH THE GENERAL TELEPHONE COMPANY THEN AS A CABLE SPLICER,
13 RETIRING AS AN EXECUTIVE OF G.T.E. IN 1993. AFTER HIS
14 RETIREMENT, THEN HE ENTERED A SECOND CAREER AS COMMUNITY
15 RELATIONS MANAGER FOR HAMER TOYOTA. AND FOR 16 YEARS HE
16 ORGANIZED THE VERY SUCCESSFUL LEE HAMER MEMORIAL GOLF
17 TOURNAMENT, DIVIDING THE FUNDS AMONG THE LARGE NUMBER OF
18 CHARITIES IN OUR SAN FERNANDO AND SANTA CLARITA VALLEYS. HE
19 WAS RECOGNIZED BY THE OLIVE VIEW HOSPITAL'S NELLY REAGAN
20 AWARD, WHICH WAS NAMED AFTER PRESIDENT RONALD REAGAN'S MOM,
21 NELLY, WHO WAS A VOLUNTEER AT OLIVE VIEW HOSPITAL BACK IN THE
22 30S AND 40S. THE PRESTIGIOUS FERNANDO AWARD, THE ENCINO
23 CHAMBER OF COMMERCE LEADERSHIP AND PUBLIC SERVICE AND THE
24 WONDERFUL BOY SCOUTS LEADERSHIP AND COURAGE AWARD. HE SERVED
25 AS PAST PRESIDENT OF THE KIWANIS CLUB, THE HOLY CROSS MEDICAL



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1 CENTER CENTURY CLUB, LEE HAMER MEMORIAL CHARITIES, THE PACOIMA
2 ENTERPRISE ZONE AND FOUNDER OF THE NORTHEAST VALLEY AMERICAN
3 DIABETICS ASSOCIATION. SO HE'S BEEN A REAL STRONG FORCE IN
4 GETTING PEOPLE SO INVOLVED IN OUR COMMUNITY AND BEING AN
5 INSPIRATION AND BEING AT ALL OF THE MEETINGS, BE THEY EARLY IN
6 THE MORNING OR LATE AT NIGHT. AND HE'S REALLY BEEN AN ANCHOR
7 IN THE VALLEY, IN THE VALLEYS, I SHOULD SAY, AND WITHIN THE
8 COUNTY, KIND OF FOLLOWING IN THE TRADITION OF THE WONDERFUL
9 LADY THAT WE HONORED SO MANY TIMES, SYBIL BRAND, WHO WAS
10 ALWAYS DEDICATING HER LIFE TO THE COMMUNITY. SO, BUD,
11 CONGRATULATIONS, AND ALTHEA, BEING RIGHT THERE, BEING HIS
12 RIGHT HAND MAN. AND GIVE YOU THIS PROCLAMATION.

13

14 **BUD BROWN:** THANK YOU, SUPERVISOR. I WOULD LIKE TO THANK THE
15 COUNTY BOARD OF SUPERVISORS FOR THIS RECOGNITION. YOU DON'T DO
16 IT FOR RECOGNITION, BUT YOU DO IT BECAUSE IT REALLY HELPS A
17 LOT OF PEOPLE, MAYBE, AND MORE SO YOURSELF. AND YOU KNOW, NONE
18 OF THIS COULD HAPPEN WITHOUT A VERY SUPPORTIVE WIFE. AND I GOT
19 JUST THE BEST WIFE IN THE WORLD IN ALTHEA, WE'LL BE
20 CELEBRATING 56 YEARS NEXT MONTH. AND SHE'S BEEN WITH ME EVERY
21 STEP OF THE WAY. AS YOU KNOW, WHEN YOU VOLUNTEER, YOU SPEND A
22 LOT OF NIGHTS AWAY FROM HOME AND WEEKENDS. BUT MY GREAT WIFE
23 IS ALWAYS THERE WITH ME. AND ALSO I JUST WANTED TO SAY I HAVE
24 STEVE MILLER, EXECUTIVE DIRECTOR OF TIERRA DEL SOL, IT'S A
25 SCHOOL FOR DEVELOPMENTALLY DISABLED ADULTS IN SUNLAND-TUJUNGA



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1 WHICH DOES A MARVELOUS JOB WITH OUR FOLKS. AND STEVE, I'D JUST
2 LIKE TO SAY THANK YOU. HE BROUGHT ME DOWN HERE BECAUSE I
3 WASN'T SURE WHERE I WAS GOING. THIS IS MY VERY FAVORITE
4 CHARITY. I GOT INVOLVED IN A LOT OF CHARITIES BUT I ALWAYS
5 SAID IF I HAD TO GIVE UP ONE, THAT WOULD BE THE VERY LAST ONE
6 I'D EVER GIVE UP. AND TIERRA, IT'S UP IN SUNLAND IF YOU EVER
7 GET A CHANCE TO STOP BY. WE HAVE 7-1/2 ACRES UP THERE. AND
8 IT'S A LITTLE PIECE OF HEAVEN ON EARTH FOR OUR CLIENTS. SO
9 THANK YOU VERY MUCH. THANK YOU GUYS SO MUCH. MIKE, THANK YOU.
10 [APPLAUSE.]

11

12 **SPEAKER:** WELL, I THINK I WOULD JUST LIKE TO SPEAK TO EACH OF
13 THE SUPERVISORS. YOU KNOW THAT IN EACH OF YOUR DISTRICTS,
14 THERE'S A FEW GO-TO PEOPLE, PEOPLE THAT REALLY MAKE THE
15 COMMUNITY WHAT IT IS, YOU CAN COUNT ON THEM. BUD IS THE GO-TO
16 GUY IN THE SAN FERNANDO VALLEY. AND I KNOW THERE ARE OTHER
17 LEADERS IN THE SAN FERNANDO VALLEY, AS WELL. AND WHEN THEY ARE
18 LOOKING FOR THEIR GO-TO GUY, THEY GO TO BUD. I STAND HERE
19 REPRESENTING ALL OF THE OTHER COMMUNITY-BASED ORGANIZATIONS,
20 UNDERPRIVILEGED CHILDREN, SENIORS, EVERY POPULATION THAT YOU
21 CAN IMAGINE. AND ON BEHALF OF ALL OF THEM, I EXPRESS MY
22 APPRECIATION AND LIFELONG GRATITUDE FOR THE WORK THAT BUD'S
23 DONE FOR OUR COMMUNITY. THANK YOU. [APPLAUSE.]

24



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1 **SUP. ANTONOVICH:** NOW AN ORGANIZATION THAT I WAS PROUD TO SERVE
2 IN, THE UNITED STATES ARMY, I'M PLEASED TO WELCOME TO THE
3 BOARD MAJOR GENERAL PAUL MACH, LIEUTENANT COLONEL TOM LASER
4 AND MRS. TONY SHULMAN, WHO ARE REPRESENTING THE GREATER LOS
5 ANGELES CHAPTER OF THE ASSOCIATION OF THE UNITED STATES ARMY.
6 THE A.U.S.A. IS THE ONLY PROFESSIONAL ASSOCIATION SERVING THE
7 TOTAL ARMY FORCE, ACTIVE, NATIONAL GUARD, RESERVE, RETIREES,
8 DEPARTMENT OF THE ARMY CIVILIANS, CADETS AND THEIR FAMILIES.
9 THE GOAL IS TO IMPROVE THE PROFESSIONALISM, THE CAREER
10 ATTRACTIVENESS AND INCENTIVES AND SERVING AS A BRIDGE BETWEEN
11 THE ARMY AND INDUSTRY. SINCE 1957, THE GREATER LOS ANGELES
12 CHAPTER HAS WORKED TIRELESSLY IN SUPPORT OF THESE OBJECTIVES,
13 CREATING THROUGHOUT THE COUNTY SUPPORT FOR OUR SOLDIERS, OUR
14 RESERVISTS, OUR VETERANS AND THEIR FAMILIES. THEY SPONSOR AN
15 ANNUAL GOLF TOURNAMENT AND OTHER PROGRAMS TO RAISE FUNDS FOR
16 THESE VITAL PROGRAMS. THEY INCLUDE EMPLOYMENT TRAINING,
17 PROVIDING FUNDING FOR FAMILY ACTIVITIES, INCLUDING DEPLOYMENT
18 AND REDEPLOYMENT EVENTS AND HOLIDAY PARTIES, EMERGENCY RELIEF,
19 HEALTH EDUCATION AND RETIREMENT PLANNING. THE G.L.A.C., THE
20 A.U.S.A. ALSO PROVIDES SCHOLARSHIPS TO OVER 50 R.O.T.C. CADETS
21 AT LOCAL UNIVERSITIES. AND THAT'S A VERY GOOD PROGRAM AND I
22 ENCOURAGE YOUR YOUNG PEOPLE TO CONSIDER R.O.T.C. BOTH AT THE
23 HIGH SCHOOL AND THE UNIVERSITY LEVEL. THE CHAPTER SPONSORS AN
24 ANNUAL EDUCATIONAL SYMPOSIUM THAT RAISES FUNDS FOR HUNDREDS OF
25 SOLDIERS, A NIGHT OUT, IT'S CALLED, AT THE ANNUAL UNITED



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1 STATES ARMY BALL, WHICH WILL BE HELD IN LONG BEACH A WEEK FROM
2 FRIDAY. SO WITH GREAT PLEASURE WE RECOGNIZE THE GREATER LOS
3 ANGELES CHAPTER OF THE ASSOCIATION OF THE UNITED STATES ARMY
4 FOR 55 OUTSTANDING YEARS OF SERVICE TO OUR NATION.

5 CONGRATULATIONS. [APPLAUSE.]

6

7 **SPEAKER:** I'D LIKE TO EXPRESS OUR EXTREME APPRECIATION TO THE
8 BOARD FOR THIS GREAT HONOR TO BE RECOGNIZED FOR YEARS AND
9 YEARS OF CHARITABLE EFFORTS WITHIN THE GREATER LOS ANGELES
10 AREA IS SOMETHING THAT'S TRULY COMMENDABLE. SO WE THANK YOU SO
11 MUCH. WE TRY TO BE A GREAT COMMUNITY PARTNER IN THE GREATER
12 LOS ANGELES AREA. SINCE 1957, WE'VE AWARDED OVER A MILLION
13 DOLLARS IN SCHOLARSHIPS TO R.O.T.C. UNITS IN THE GREATER L.A.
14 AREA. WE FOCUS A LOT OF OUR EFFORTS ON MILITARY FAMILIES,
15 THEIR UNITS AND THE SOLDIERS THEMSELVES. WE HAVE A TREMENDOUS
16 NEED. IN FACT, WE'VE GOT A POPULATION OF SCHOOL-AGED KIDS THAT
17 HAVE NEVER KNOWN NOT BEING AT WAR, IF YOU THINK ABOUT THAT.
18 BECAUSE WE'VE BEEN AT IT FOR 10 LONG YEARS. RECENTLY, WE'VE
19 UNDERTAKEN THE CHALLENGE OF THE OVER 10,000 HOMELESS VETERANS
20 IN THE GREATER L.A. AREA TRYING TO GET THEM PLACED. SO IT'S
21 WITH GREAT HONOR HERE THAT WE'RE HERE TODAY. THANK YOU, SIR,
22 SO MUCH. AND WE'LL CONTINUE TO CARRY ON THE FIGHT. THANK YOU.
23 [APPLAUSE.]

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1 **SUP. ANTONOVICH:** NOW WE HAVE A SENIOR POODLE MIX. SHE'S FIVE
2 YEARS OLD. HE'S FIVE YEARS OLD. HE'S BEEN ALTERED. AND HIS
3 NAME IS -- SHE HAS. PRINCESS. NOWADAYS YOU NEVER KNOW. THIS IS
4 A LITTLE GIRL. ANYWAY, IT'S A FIVE YEAR OLD, GOLD TAN. YOU CAN
5 CALL 562-728-4644. THIS LITTLE PRINCESS COMES WITH A LITTLE
6 PURPLE NECKLACE. AND SHE'S LOOKING FOR A HOME. ANYBODY LIKE TO
7 ADOPT LITTLE PRINCESS? YOU CAN COME TO THE SIDE OR CALL 562-
8 728-4644 FOR LITTLE PRINCESS. [APPLAUSE.]

9

10 **SUP. YAROSLAVSKY, CHAIRMAN:** SUPERVISOR MOLINA, DO YOU HAVE ANY
11 PRESENTATIONS? ALL RIGHT. WE'RE READY TO START WITH THE
12 AGENDA.

13

14 **CLERK SACHI HAMAI:** OKAY. WE'LL START WITH THE PUBLIC HEARING
15 ITEMS. ON ITEMS 1 THROUGH 8, ALL THOSE WHO PLAN TO TESTIFY
16 BEFORE THE BOARD, PLEASE STAND AND RAISE YOUR RIGHT HAND TO BE
17 SWORN IN. ITEMS 1 THROUGH 8. IN THE TESTIMONY YOU MAY GIVE
18 BEFORE THIS BOARD, DO YOU SOLEMNLY AFFIRM TO TELL THE TRUTH,
19 THE WHOLE TRUTH AND NOTHING BUT THE TRUTH SO HELP YOU GOD?
20 THANK YOU. YOU MAY BE SEATED. ON ITEM NO. 1, THIS IS A HEARING
21 ON THE ADOPTION OF THE SEWER SERVICE CHARGE ANNUAL REPORT FOR
22 THE CONSOLIDATED SEWER MAINTENANCE DISTRICT AND THE MARINA
23 SEWER MAINTENANCE DISTRICT FOR FISCAL YEAR 2012-2013 AND THE
24 ADOPTION OF THE PROPOSED ORDINANCE AMENDING THE COUNTY CODE
25 TITLE 20, UTILITIES. THERE IS A DEPARTMENT STATEMENT AND NO



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1 CORRESPONDENCE WAS RECEIVED. THERE IS A PUBLIC SPEAKER ON
2 THIS, AS WELL.

3

4 **SUP. YAROSLAVSKY, CHAIRMAN:** ERIC PREVEN? I'M SORRY.

5

6 **CLERK SACHI HAMAI:** THE DEPARTMENT'S GOING TO GIVE A STATEMENT
7 FIRST.

8

9 **SUP. YAROSLAVSKY, CHAIRMAN:** OKAY. MR. PREVEN, COME UP, ANYWAY.
10 THE DEPARTMENT IS GOING TO GIVE THEIR REPORT. GO AHEAD.

11

12 **NICHOLAS AGBOBU:** GOOD MORNING, HONORABLE MEMBERS OF THE BOARD
13 OF SUPERVISORS.

14

15 **SUP. YAROSLAVSKY, CHAIRMAN:** SPEAK INTO THE MICROPHONE.

16

17 **NICHOLAS AGBOBU:** MY NAME IS NICHOLAS AGBOBU, AND I AM A SENIOR
18 CIVIL ENGINEER FOR THE DEPARTMENT OF PUBLIC WORKS. I AM
19 FAMILIAR WITH THESE PROCEEDINGS TO ADOPT THE ANNUAL SEWER
20 SERVICE CHARGE BOTH FOR THE CONSOLIDATED AND MARINA SEWER
21 MAINTENANCE DISTRICT FOR FISCAL YEAR 2012- 2013. TO INCREASE
22 THE ANNUAL SEWER SERVICE CHARGE FOR THE CONSOLIDATED SEWER
23 MAINTENANCE DISTRICT BY \$3 FOR SEWAGE FOR EACH OF THE NEXT
24 THREE FISCAL YEARS. \$32.50 TO \$35.50 IN 2012-2013. FROM \$35.50
25 TO \$38.50 IN FISCAL YEAR 2013-2014. FROM \$38.50 TO \$41.50 IN



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1 FISCAL YEAR 2014-2015. THREE, INCREASE THE ADDITIONAL ANNUAL
2 SEWER SERVICE CHARGE FOR CUMULATIVE CAPITAL OUTLAY FUND BY \$1
3 FROM \$8 TO \$9 FOR SEWAGE IN IT IN FISCAL YEAR 2012-2013. AND,
4 FOUR, RETAIN ALL OTHER SEWER SERVICE CHARGES AT THEIR EXISTING
5 RATES AND CONTINUE TO COLLECT SUCH CHARGES ON THE TAX ROLL FOR
6 FISCAL YEAR 2012-2013. A REPORT ON THESE SEWER SERVICE CHARGES
7 WAS PREPARED BY MY OFFICE AND UNDER MY DIRECTION. IN MY
8 OPINION, IT IS NECESSARY TO INCREASE THE SEWER SERVICE CHARGE
9 RATE FOR THE CONSOLIDATED SEWER MAINTENANCE DISTRICT TO OFFSET
10 RISING OPERATIONAL COSTS AND TO MEET THE DEMANDS OF
11 INCREASINGLY STRINGENT REGULATORY REQUIREMENTS. IN MY OPINION,
12 IT IS ALSO NECESSARY TO INCREASE THE ADDITIONAL ANNUAL SEWER
13 SERVICE CHARGE RATES FOR THE ACCUMULATED CAPITAL OUTLAY FUND
14 OF THE DISTRICT TO ACCELERATE THE PACE OF REHABILITATING THE
15 DISTRICT'S AGING PUMP STATIONS AND COMPLY WITH REGULATORY
16 REQUIREMENTS. IN MY OPINION, ALL THE OTHER SEWER SERVICE
17 CHARGES SHOULD BE RETAINED AT THEIR EXISTING RATES. IN MY
18 OPINION, THE PROPOSED SEWER SERVICE CHARGES HAVE BEEN FAIRLY
19 IMPOSED. IN MY OPINION, IT IS IN THE PUBLIC INTEREST TO
20 CONTINUE TO COLLECT THE ENTIRE SEWER SERVICE CHARGES ON THE
21 TAX ROLL BECAUSE IT PROVIDES FOR THE MOST ORDERLY AND COST-
22 EFFECTIVE COLLECTION OF SURCHARGES FROM THE AFFECTED PROPERTY
23 OWNERS.

24
25 **SUP. YAROSLAVSKY, CHAIRMAN:** THANK YOU. MR. PREVEN?



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2 **ERIC PREVEN:** YES. GOOD MORNING, SUPERVISORS. MY NAME IS ERIC
3 PREVEN, I AM THE COUNTY RESIDENT FROM DISTRICT 3. AND WHAT I
4 JUST HEARD WAS THAT WE ARE GOING TO BE INCREASING THE FEE FROM
5 ABOUT \$31 TO APPROXIMATELY \$41 OVER THE COURSE OF A COUPLE
6 YEARS, WHICH IS A \$3 BUMP EACH YEAR. HERE'S THE THING. THIS IS
7 FOR MARINA DEL REY, WHERE WE HAVE BEEN ENGAGED IN A NUMBER OF
8 VERY GOOD DEALS WITH LESSEES WHO ARE GETTING A SWEETHEART
9 ARRANGEMENT AND NOT COUGHING UP WHAT WE ALL FEEL THEY SHOULD
10 BE. SO THE IDEA THAT WE'RE GOING TO PUT ON THE TAXPAYERS
11 ADDITIONAL COSTS TO REDO THE INFRASTRUCTURE HERE IS OF COURSE
12 OF GREAT CONCERN. AND THIS IS NOT THE ONLY INSTANCE. WE'LL BE
13 HEARING LATER FROM SOCAL EDISON, BUT I'LL STAY ON POINT, ABOUT
14 HOW WE'RE GOING TO GIVE THEM \$135,000 TO DO THE ELECTRICAL
15 UPGRADES, AS WELL. I JUST THINK THAT AT A TIME LIKE THIS, TO
16 INCREASE APPROXIMATELY 25 PERCENT OVER THAT PERIOD, IF MY MATH
17 IS RIGHT, 41.50 UP FROM 31.50, I JUST THINK IT'S TOO BAD WE
18 HAVE TO GO DOWN THIS ROAD. BUT I WOULD ENCOURAGE THE BOARD OF
19 SUPERVISORS AND TEAM MARINA TO TAKE A GOOD HARD, LONG LOOK AT
20 SOME OF THESE DEALS THAT THEY HAVE WITH SOME OF THE CHARACTERS
21 WHO ARE GOING TO BE DOING AND HAVE BEEN DOING EXTREMELY WELL
22 ON COUNTY LAND ABOUT HELPING OFFSET SOME OF THESE IMPORTANT
23 INFRASTRUCTURE CHARGES. SO THANK YOU.

24

25 **SUP. KNABE:** MR. CHAIRMAN?



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2 **SUP. YAROSLAVSKY, CHAIRMAN:** MR. KNABE?

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4 **SUP. KNABE:** FIRST OF ALL JUST SO MR. PREVEN UNDERSTANDS, THIS
5 DOESN'T EVEN INCLUDE MARINA DEL REY. THIS HAS NOTHING TO DO
6 WITH MARINA DEL REY.

7

8 **ERIC PREVEN:** IT'S NOT CALLED A MARINA?

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10 **SUP. KNABE:** SECONDLY -- IT DOES NOT INCLUDE MARINA DEL REY.

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12 **ERIC PREVEN:** MARINA SEWER MAINTENANCE.

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14 **SUP. KNABE:** AM I INCORRECT?

15

16 **NICHOLAS AGBOBU:** NO.

17

18 **ERIC PREVEN:** WHY IS IT CALLED THE MARINA SEWER MAINTENANCE
19 PROGRAM?

20

21 **SUP. KNABE:** I HAVE NO IDEA ABOUT THE NAME. BUT IT DOES NOT
22 INCLUDE MARINA DEL REY. THEY HAVE THEIR OWN -- IT IS NOT TO
23 DEBATE WITH YOU. IT HAS A SEPARATE WATER DISTRICT. THE
24 QUESTION I HAVE IS: THIS IS A VERY SUBSTANTIAL INCREASE.



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1 CUMULATIVELY IT'S ALMOST 30 PERCENT OVER THE THREE YEARS. IS
2 THE PURPOSE OF THIS INCREASE TO KEEP THE CONTINGENCY FUND?

3

4 **NICHOLAS AGBOBU:** NOT NECESSARILY.

5

6 **SUP. KNABE:** SPEAK INTO THE --

7

8 **NICHOLAS AGBOBU:** THE RATE INCREASE IS NECESSARY TO MEET
9 OPERATIONAL EXPENSES. AND ALSO TO BUILD, READILY BUILD UP
10 SURPLUS.

11

12 **SUP. KNABE:** SO THE PURPOSE OF THE CONTINGENCY FUND IS WHAT?

13

14 **NICHOLAS AGBOBU:** THAT IS FOR -- OUR AGING INFRASTRUCTURE. WE
15 MAINTAIN ABOUT 5,000 MILES OF SEWER LINES AND 150 PUMP
16 STATIONS. SOME OF THESE ARE AGING. SO WE DON'T -- AT ANY TIME
17 ANYTHING CAN HAPPEN. SO WE ARE REQUIRED BY LAW TO MAINTAIN
18 SOME FUND BALANCE IN ORDER TO FIX ANY SORT OF EMERGENCIES.

19

20 **SUP. KNABE:** WHAT DOES THE LAW REQUIRE AS FAR AS A CONTINGENCY
21 FUND? IS IT 10 PERCENT OR SOMETHING LIKE THAT?

22

23 **NICHOLAS AGBOBU:** MINIMUM 10 PERCENT, YES.

24

25 **SUP. KNABE:** AND THAT'S BY LAW.



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2 **NICHOLAS AGBOBU:** BY LAW.

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4 **SUP. KNABE:** THANK YOU.

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6 **SUP. YAROSLAVSKY, CHAIRMAN:** THANK YOU.

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8 **CLERK SACHI HAMAI:** MR. CHAIRMAN, ON THIS ITEM, AND MEMBERS OF
9 THE BOARD, A DETERMINATION HAS BEEN MADE THAT NO MAJORITY
10 PROTEST EXISTS AGAINST THE PROPOSED SEWER SERVICE CHARGE
11 ANNUAL REPORT FOR THE CONSOLIDATED SEWER MAINTENANCE DISTRICT.
12 AS A RESULT IT WOULD BE APPROPRIATE FOR THE BOARD TO ADOPT THE
13 ANNUAL REPORT AND THE PROPOSED ORDINANCE AMENDING COUNTY CODE
14 TITLE 20, UTILITIES.

15

16 **SUP. YAROSLAVSKY, CHAIRMAN:** OKAY IT'S MOVED BY KNABE. SECONDED
17 BY ANTONOVICH. WITHOUT OBJECTION, ITEM NO. 1 IS APPROVED.

18

19 **CLERK SACHI HAMAI:** THANK YOU. ON ITEM NO. 2, THIS ITEM IS
20 BEING REFERRED BACK TO THE DEPARTMENT OF PUBLIC WORKS, BUT
21 THERE IS A PUBLIC SPEAKER ON IT?

22

23 **SUP. YAROSLAVSKY, CHAIRMAN:** WHO IS THAT?

24

25 **CLERK SACHI HAMAI:** ERIC PREVEN.



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2 **SUP. YAROSLAVSKY, CHAIRMAN:** MR. PREVEN, DO YOU FEEL IT
3 ABSOLUTELY NECESSARY TO TESTIFY ON SOMETHING THAT'S GOING TO
4 BE REFERRED BACK TO THE DEPARTMENT? ALL RIGHT. START HIS TIME.

5

6 **ERIC PREVEN:** FIRST OF ALL, I APOLOGIZE FOR GETTING THAT WRONG,
7 THAT MARINA DEL REY IS NOT INCLUDED IN THAT.

8

9 **SUP. YAROSLAVSKY, CHAIRMAN:** JUST STICK TO THIS SUBJECT NOW,
10 OKAY.

11

12 **ERIC PREVEN:** I ALWAYS TRY TO BE CLEAR.

13

14 **SUP. YAROSLAVSKY, CHAIRMAN:** MR. PREVEN, YOU'RE ON NO. 2, SPEAK
15 TO THE ITEM.

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17 **ERIC PREVEN:** ITEM NO. 2. CAN YOU IDENTIFY IT? IS IT THE
18 FRANCHISE?

19

20 **SUP. YAROSLAVSKY, CHAIRMAN:** YOU ASKED TO SIGN UP. YOU SIGNED
21 UP FOR IT.

22

23 **ERIC PREVEN:** YEAH, THE FRANCHISE GRANTED TO SOUTHERN
24 CALIFORNIA EDISON. IS THAT ACCURATE OR IS THAT 21?

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1 **SUP. YAROSLAVSKY, CHAIRMAN:** WHAT DO YOU DO WHEN YOU COME IN
2 HERE IN THE MORNING? YOU JUST TAKE A DART AND YOU THROW IT AT
3 THE AGENDA AND WHATEVER LANDS ON, YOU ASK TO BE HEARD ON? WHY
4 AM I SUPPOSED TO EXPLAIN TO YOU WHAT YOU ASKED TO BE HEARD ON?
5 YOU SIGN UP ON 25 ITEMS EVERY WEEK. AND YOU EXPECT ME TO
6 POLICE YOUR THINKING?

7

8 **ERIC PREVEN:** I CIRCLED THIS ITEM BECAUSE THERE ARE THREE ITEMS
9 ON TODAY'S AGENDA THAT HAVE TO DO WITH SOUTHERN CALIFORNIA
10 EDISON. AND THIS IS ONE THAT I SUPPORT, WHICH IS AN EASEMENT.
11 AND I WILL BE SUPPORTIVE OF THIS ITEM. I WAS TRYING TO ADDRESS
12 THE SO CAL ITEMS TOGETHER, BUT APPARENTLY WE'RE NOT DOING IT
13 THAT WAY TOGETHER. SO I WILL COME BACK.

14

15 **SUP. YAROSLAVSKY, CHAIRMAN:** NO, WE'RE NOT BECAUSE THESE ARE
16 PUBLIC HEARING ITEMS UNDER OUR ZONING ITEMS, SO TO SPEAK.

17

18 **ERIC PREVEN:** THAT'S RIGHT. AND IT'S AN EASEMENT.

19

20 **SUP. YAROSLAVSKY, CHAIRMAN:** AND THAT'S WHY YOU HAVE THE
21 OPPORTUNITY TO SPEAK TO IT.

22

23 **ERIC PREVEN:** BUT THERE ARE THREE ITEMS UNDER SO CAL EDISON.

24



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1 **SUP. YAROSLAVSKY, CHAIRMAN:** THAT'S RIGHT, AND THIS IS ONE OF
2 THEM.

3

4 **ERIC PREVEN:** AND THE FRANCHISE FEE.

5

6 **SUP. YAROSLAVSKY, CHAIRMAN:** THIS ITEM IS GOING TO BE REFERRED
7 BACK TO THE DEPARTMENT.

8

9 **ERIC PREVEN:** OKAY, WELL THEN YOU GO AHEAD AND REFER IT BACK TO
10 THE DEPARTMENT. THANK YOU. SORRY TO INCONVENIENCE YOU.

11

12 **SUP. YAROSLAVSKY, CHAIRMAN:** YEAH.

13

14 **CLERK SACHI HAMAI:** MR. CHAIRMAN, COULD WE GET A MOTION ON THE
15 REFER BACK?

16

17 **SUP. YAROSLAVSKY, CHAIRMAN:** MOVED BY KNABE. I'LL SECOND IT.
18 WITHOUT OBJECTION, IT'S REFERRED BACK.

19

20 **CLERK SACHI HAMAI:** THANK YOU. WE ARE NOW ON ITEM NO. 3. THIS
21 IS THE HEARING ON ADOPTION OF A RESOLUTION DETERMINING AND
22 LEVYING THE ANNUAL COUNTY FLOOD CONTROL DISTRICT BENEFIT
23 ASSESSMENT ON EACH PARCEL OF LAND WITHIN THE COUNTY FLOOD
24 CONTROL DISTRICT FOR FISCAL YEAR 2012-2013 AT THE SAME RATES.



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1 THERE IS A DEPARTMENT STATEMENT ON THIS MATTER. NO
2 CORRESPONDENCE WAS RECEIVED. AND THERE ARE NO PUBLIC SPEAKERS.

3

4 **SUP. YAROSLAVSKY, CHAIRMAN:** IS THERE STAFF REPORT?

5

6 **CLERK SACHI HAMAI:** YES.

7

8 **SUP. YAROSLAVSKY, CHAIRMAN:** GO AHEAD.

9

10 **CHRISTINE QUIRK:** GOOD MORNING, HONORABLE CHAIRMAN AND MEMBER
11 OF THE BOARD, MY NAME IS CHRISTINE QUIRK, I AM A SENIOR CIVIL
12 ENGINEER FOR THE DEPARTMENT OF PUBLIC WORKS. I AM FAMILIAR
13 WITH THESE PROCEEDINGS FOR THE CONTINUATION OF THE ANNUAL
14 FLOOD CONTROL DISTRICT BENEFIT ASSESSMENT FOR FISCAL YEAR
15 2012-2013. THE REPORT ON THE PROPOSED ASSESSMENT WAS PREPARED
16 IN MY OFFICE AND UNDER MY DIRECTION. NO INCREASE IN BENEFIT
17 ASSESSMENT RATES IS PROPOSED FOR THE UPCOMING FISCAL YEAR
18 2012-2013. IN MY OPINION, THE PUBLIC CONVENIENCE AND NECESSITY
19 REQUIRE THE CONTINUATION OF THE ANNUAL ASSESSMENT FOR FISCAL
20 YEAR 2012-2013 TO FUND THE OPERATION, MAINTENANCE, RESTORATION
21 AND CONSTRUCTION OF FLOOD CONTROL FACILITY AND THE FLOOD
22 CONTROL DISTRICT COMPLIANCE WITH THE NATIONAL POLLUTANT
23 DISCHARGE ELIMINATION SYSTEM MUNICIPAL STORM WATER PERMIT
24 REQUIREMENTS. THE OTHER SOURCES OF FUNDING AVAILABLE TO THE
25 FLOOD CONTROL DISTRICT ARE NOT ADEQUATE TO COVER THE ANNUAL



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1 COST OF THE PROGRAMS DESCRIBED ABOVE. THE FLOOD CONTROL
2 DISTRICT BENEFIT ASSESSMENT CONTINUES TO BE BASED UPON THE
3 PROPORTIONATE STORM WATER RUNOFF FROM AFFECTED PARCELS AS IS
4 SPECIFICALLY AUTHORIZED BY STATE LAW. WE HAVE RECEIVED NO
5 PHONE CALLS NOR ANY WRITTEN PROTESTS TO THE PROPOSED
6 CONTINUATION OF THE ANNUAL BENEFIT ASSESSMENT, THEREFORE IT IS
7 RECOMMENDED THAT YOUR BOARD ADOPT THE RESOLUTION PROVIDING THE
8 CONTINUATION OF THE ANNUAL FLOOD CONTROL BENEFIT ASSESSMENT
9 FOR FISCAL YEAR TO 2012-13. THANK YOU.

10

11 **SUP. YAROSLAVSKY, CHAIRMAN:** THERE ARE NO OTHER PEOPLE WISH TO
12 BE HEARD, SO THE ITEM'S BEFORE US. MOVED BY KNABE. SECONDED BY
13 MOLINA. WITHOUT OBJECTION, UNANIMOUS VOTE.

14

15 **CLERK SACHI HAMAI:** ON ITEM NO. 4, THIS IS THE HEARING ON
16 APPROVAL OF THE ACTION PLAN FOR FISCAL YEAR 2012-2013 TO
17 ENABLE THE LOS ANGELES URBAN COUNTY TO RECEIVE AND ADMINISTER
18 AN ESTIMATED 42,909,936 IN FEDERAL FUNDS AND TO DESIGNATE THE
19 COMMUNITY DEVELOPMENT COMMISSION TO SERVE AS THE AGENT OF THE
20 COUNTY FOR ADMINISTRATION OF THE ACTION PLAN IN THE ALLOCATED
21 FUNDS. THIS ALSO RELATES TO ITEM 1-D AND 1-H. AND THERE IS ONE
22 PUBLIC SPEAKER ON IT.

23

24 **SUP. YAROSLAVSKY, CHAIRMAN:** ARNOLD SACHS? START HIS TIME.

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1 **ARNOLD SACHS:** THANK YOU. GOOD MORNING. ARNOLD SACHS. EXCUSE
2 ME? YOU CAN START MY TIME. HE DESERVES IT. I HELD THIS ITEM.
3 IT'S NICE TO SEE YOU'RE DOING C.D.B.G. FUNDS. YOUR 39TH YEAR?
4 YOUR ROLLOVER FUNDS ARE \$10 MILLION DOWN FROM \$14 MILLION.
5 COULD YOU GIVE AN ACCOUNTING ON HOW THE \$4 MILLION THAT YOU
6 CHANGED FROM YOUR 38TH YEAR ACTION PLAN GOT DOWN TO \$10
7 MILLION FOR THIS ACTION PLAN? BUT IT ALSO, IN THIS PART,
8 AUTHORIZES THE EXECUTIVE DIRECTOR TO TERMINATE C.D.B.G.
9 REIMBURSABLE AND ADVANCE CONTRACTS UTILIZING FISCAL YEAR 2012-
10 2013 FUNDS WHEN A BREACH OF CONTRACT OCCURS. BECAUSE IN THE
11 CITY OF L.A., THEY'RE TALKING ABOUT 38TH YEAR HOUSING PROGRAM.
12 THEY'RE ALSO TALKING ABOUT THE 37TH YEAR PROGRAM. AND THEY'RE
13 TALKING ABOUT THE 35TH YEAR PROGRAM. SO HOW DO YOU NEGATE
14 CONTRACTS WHEN YOU HAVE 35TH YEAR, 36TH YEAR, 37TH YEAR, 38TH
15 YEAR FUNDING FOR THE C.D.B.G. FUNDS? HOW DO YOU SET UP A
16 STANDARD? AND BY THE WAY, HOW DO YOU KNOW WHAT THE STANDARDS
17 ARE? OH, I KNOW. IT'S COUNTY STANDARDS. JUST LIKE YOU ALWAYS
18 HAVE. JUST LIKE WE JUST HEARD SUPERVISOR KNABE. MARINA
19 STANDARD, THE MARINA SEWER DISTRICT DOESN'T DEAL WITH THE
20 MARINA DEL REY. YOU ASK 100 PEOPLE IN THE AUDIENCE IF THEY
21 HEAR THE WORD MARINA WHAT THEY THINK AND THEY'D BE WRONG. IT
22 WOULD BE. AND I APPRECIATE THAT. SO HOW DO YOU KNOW? HOW DO
23 YOU GET -- HOW DO YOU GET CLARIFICATION ON THAT? SO MY
24 QUESTION IS: I WAS IN REDONDO BEACH. THEY JUST SAID THAT THEY
25 HAD A 33 PERCENT CUT IN THEIR C.D.B.G. FUNDS. YOU HAVE \$10



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1 MILLION IN ROLLOVER FUNDS. AND THEIR PEOPLE THERE, THEY EAT
2 FROM SCRAPS ON THE TABLE. HOW DO YOU GET \$10 MILLION IN
3 ROLLOVER FUNDS WHEN YOU HAVE A CONTINGENCY PLAN TO ELIMINATE
4 FUNDING THAT DOESN'T MEET REQUIREMENTS? WHAT HAPPENS TO THOSE
5 \$10 MILLION? HOW IS IT AUTHORIZED? HOW IS IT SPLIT BETWEEN THE
6 SUPERVISORIAL DISTRICTS? ALWAYS GLAD TO GET CLARIFICATION. YOU
7 CAN STOP MY TIME. MAYBE I'LL KEEP TALKING ON THE WAY BACK TO
8 MY SEAT.

9

10 **SUP. YAROSLAVSKY, CHAIRMAN:** THIS IS BEFORE US. MR. CHAIRMAN,
11 THIS ALSO INCLUDES ITEM 1 -- [APPLAUSE.]

12

13 **CLERK SACHI HAMAI:** THIS ALSO INCLUDES ITEM NO. 1-D AND 1-H.

14

15 **SUP. YAROSLAVSKY, CHAIRMAN:** ALL RIGHT. MOVED BY RIDLEY-THOMAS,
16 SECONDED BY KNABE. WITHOUT OBJECTION, UNANIMOUS VOTE ON THOSE
17 ITEMS.

18

19 **CLERK SACHI HAMAI:** THANK YOU. ON ITEM NO. 6, THIS IS A HEARING
20 ON THE DEPARTMENT OF MENTAL HEALTH'S PROPOSED PUBLISHED
21 CHARGES FOR FISCAL YEAR 2012-2013. THERE IS NO DEPARTMENT
22 STATEMENT, NO CORRESPONDENCE WAS RECEIVED AND THIS ITEM IS
23 BEFORE YOU.

24

25 **SUP. YAROSLAVSKY, CHAIRMAN:** THIS IS ITEM 6?



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2 **CLERK SACHI HAMAI:** 6.

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4 **SUP. YAROSLAVSKY, CHAIRMAN:** ALL RIGHT. NO STAFF REPORT OR
5 ANYTHING. MOVED BY MOLINA. SECONDED BY ANOTONOVICH. WITHOUT
6 OBJECTION, UNANIMOUS VOTE.

7

8 **CLERK SACHI HAMAI:** THANK YOU. WE ARE ON THE LAST ITEM, WHICH
9 IS ITEM NO. 8. THIS IS A HEARING ON THE AGUA DULCE COMMUNITY
10 STANDARDS DISTRICT UPDATE PROJECT NO. R2010-00446-5. THERE IS
11 A DEPARTMENT STATEMENT. CORRESPONDENCE WAS RECEIVED AND THERE
12 ARE A COUPLE SPEAKERS ON IT.

13

14 **MITCH GLASER:** GOOD MORNING, SUPERVISORS. MY NAME IS MITCH
15 GLASER, WITH THE DEPARTMENT OF REGIONAL PLANNING. THE MATTER
16 BEFORE YOU IS A COMPREHENSIVE UPDATE OF THE AGUA DULCE
17 COMMUNITY STANDARDS DISTRICT, OR C.S.D. AS YOU ARE AWARE, THE
18 COUNTY CODE ALLOWS FOR C.S.D.S AS AN OVERLAY IN THE ZONING
19 CODE TO ADDRESS UNIQUE ISSUES IN INDIVIDUAL UNINCORPORATED
20 COMMUNITIES. THE COMMUNITY OF AGUA DULCE CURRENTLY HAS A
21 C.S.D. THAT WAS ADOPTED IN 1985. THE GOAL OF THAT C.S.D. IS TO
22 PROTECT THE RURAL CHARACTER OF THE COMMUNITY. ABOUT 10 YEARS
23 AGO THE AGUA DULCE TOWN COUNCIL BEGAN THE UPDATE PROCESS. IN
24 APPROACHING THE UPDATE PROCESS, THEY HAD THE SAME GOAL, TO
25 PROTECT THE RURAL CHARACTER. BUT THEY DESIRED TO EXPAND THE



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1 BOUNDARIES OF THE C.S.D. AND TO ALSO GREATLY EXPAND THE
2 STANDARDS CONTAINED WITHIN IT. AFTER SEVERAL YEARS OF WORK,
3 THE TOWN COUNCIL SUBMITTED THE DRAFT TO THE DEPARTMENT OF
4 REGIONAL PLANNING IN THE FALL OF 2007. SUBSEQUENTLY, STAFF
5 WORKED WITH THE TOWN COUNCIL AND OTHER COUNTY AGENCIES, SUCH
6 AS THE DEPARTMENT OF PUBLIC WORKS AND THE DEPARTMENT OF PARKS
7 AND RECREATION, TO REFINE THE DRAFT. STAFF PRESENTED THE DRAFT
8 AT A COMMUNITY MEETING ON MARCH 11, 2010. THE COMMUNITY
9 MEETING WAS HELD IN AGUA DULCE AND ALL PROPERTY OWNERS WITHIN
10 THE BOUNDARY OF THE C.S.D. WERE NOTIFIED. AT THAT MEETING, THE
11 CONSENSUS WAS TO MAKE SOME FURTHER REFINEMENTS TO THAT DRAFT.
12 STAFF WORKED WITH THE TOWN COUNCIL AND OTHER COUNTY AGENCIES
13 TO FURTHER REFINE THE DRAFT. WE PRESENTED THE REVISED DRAFT TO
14 THE COMMUNITY AT ANOTHER MEETING ON MAY 25, 2011. AS WITH THE
15 PREVIOUS MEETING IT WAS HELD IN AGUA DULCE AND ALL PROPERTY
16 OWNERS WERE NOTIFIED. AT THAT MEETING THE CONSENSUS WAS TO
17 MOVE FORWARD WITH THE C.S.D. WITH SOME MINOR REVISIONS.
18 SUBSEQUENTLY, STAFF ALSO ATTENDED A MEETING OF THE TOWN
19 COUNCIL ON OCTOBER 12, 2011 TO DISCUSS THOSE REVISIONS. THE
20 DRAFT WAS COMPLETED AND THE REGIONAL PLANNING COMMISSION HELD
21 A PUBLIC HEARING ON FEBRUARY 22 OF THIS YEAR. NOTICE WAS SENT
22 TO ALL PROPERTY OWNERS AT LEAST 30 DAYS BEFORE THE HEARING. AT
23 THE HEARING, THE REGIONAL PLANNING COMMISSION ACCEPTED STAFF'S
24 RECOMMENDATION 4-0 WITH ONE MEMBER ABSENT AND THE
25 RECOMMENDATION WAS TO MOVE THE C.S.D. TO YOUR BOARD. AS



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1 MENTIONED IN THE STAFF REPORT, THERE WERE SOME AREAS WHERE
2 STAFF'S RECOMMENDATIONS DIFFERED FROM THE TOWN COUNCIL'S
3 RECOMMENDATIONS. SOME OF THOSE ISSUES INCLUDED COMMERCIAL
4 VEHICLES IN RESIDENTIAL AND AGRICULTURAL ZONES, CARGO STORAGE
5 CONTAINERS, DOGS, DRAINAGE AND A PORTION OF THE PROPOSED
6 BOUNDARY EXPANSION. THAT BEING SAID, STAFF HAS REVIEWED THE
7 TOWN COUNCIL'S LETTER TO THE BOARD DATED MAY 14 OF THIS YEAR
8 AND FINDS THE REQUESTED CHANGES ACCEPTABLE. WITH REGARD TO THE
9 CONTENT, THE C.S.D. UPDATE COVERS A WIDE RANGE OF ISSUES,
10 EVERYTHING FROM ROADWAY STANDARDS TO TRAILS, TO SETBACKS TO
11 COMMERCIAL DESIGN. BUT AGAIN, THE UNIFYING THEME OF THESE
12 STANDARDS IS TO PRESERVE THE RURAL CHARACTER. AS PART OF
13 STAFF'S RECOMMENDATION, YOUR BOARD WOULD DIRECT COUNTY COUNSEL
14 TO PREPARE THE FINAL ORDINANCE. AS PART OF THAT REVIEW, COUNTY
15 COUNSEL WILL MAKE SURE THAT THE DRAFT COMPLIES WITH ALL
16 RELEVANT LAW AND WILL MAKE ANY NECESSARY CHANGES. WITH REGARD
17 TO THE ENVIRONMENTAL DOCUMENT STAFF PREPARED AN INITIAL STUDY.
18 THE INITIAL STUDY CONCLUDED THAT A NEGATIVE DECLARATION WAS
19 THE APPROPRIATE ENVIRONMENTAL DOCUMENT. STAFF CIRCULATED THE
20 INITIAL STUDY AND NEGATIVE DECLARATION BEFORE THE REGIONAL
21 PLANNING COMMISSION HEARING, IN COMPLIANCE WITH THE CALIFORNIA
22 ENVIRONMENTAL QUALITY ACT AND ALL RELEVANT COUNTY PROCEDURES.
23 IN CONCLUSION, THE C.S.D. UPDATE IS THE CULMINATION OF A
24 LENGTHY AND INVOLVED EFFORT BY THE COMMUNITY, LED BY THE TOWN
25 COUNCIL AND ITS C.S.D. COMMITTEE. THEY ARE TO BE COMMENDED FOR



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1 THEIR HUNDREDS OF HOURS OF VOLUNTEER WORK TO SEE THIS THROUGH
2 TO COMPLETION. SO WITH THAT, STAFF'S RECOMMENDATION TO YOU
3 THIS MORNING IS TO FIRST ADOPT THE NEGATIVE DECLARATION.
4 SECONDLY, TO APPROVE THE RECOMMENDATION OF THE REGIONAL
5 PLANNING COMMISSION TO AMEND THE COUNTY CODE TO UPDATE THE
6 C.S.D. AS REFLECTED IN THE DRAFT ORDINANCE. AND, FINALLY, AS I
7 MENTIONED, TO INSTRUCT COUNTY COUNSEL TO PREPARE THE ORDINANCE
8 AS RECOMMENDED BY THE PLANNING COMMISSION. THIS WILL CONCLUDE
9 STAFF'S PRESENTATION. THANK YOU.

10

11 **SUP. YAROSLAVSKY, CHAIRMAN:** MR. ANTONOVICH?

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13 **SUP. ANTONOVICH:** THE ISSUES THAT THE TOWN COUNCIL RAISED
14 BEFORE THE REGIONAL PLANNING COMMISSION HAVE NOW BEEN
15 RESOLVED?

16

17 **MITCH GLASER:** THAT IS CORRECT.

18

19 **SUP. ANTONOVICH:** OKAY, THANK YOU. AND WE HAVE MEMBERS OF THE
20 TOWN COUNCIL WHO WILL BE SPEAKING, AS WELL.

21

22 **SUP. YAROSLAVSKY, CHAIRMAN:** DAVID FORD? AND ARNOLD SACHS.
23 THOSE ARE THE ONLY TWO PEOPLE WHO I HAVE WHO'VE ASKED TO BE
24 HEARD. ARE YOU WITH THE TOWN COUNCIL?

25



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1 **MARY JOHNSON:** YES. DO YOU WANT ME TO HOLD OFF?

2

3 **SUP. YAROSLAVSKY, CHAIRMAN:** NO, NO. HAVE A SEAT. WE DIDN'T GET
4 YOUR SIGNUP CARD, BUT BEFORE YOU LEAVE IF YOU CAN JUST FILL IT
5 OUT SO WE HAVE IT FOR THE RECORD.

6

7 **MARY JOHNSON:** OKAY. I FILLED SOMETHING OUT.

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9 **SUP. YAROSLAVSKY, CHAIRMAN:** IT'S PROBABLY AROUND HERE
10 SOMEWHERE. WHY DON'T YOU GO FIRST AND IDENTIFY YOURSELF.

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12 **MARY JOHNSON:** OKAY. I'M MARY JOHNSON. I'M A MEMBER OF THE AGUA
13 DULCE TOWN COUNCIL. AND I APPRECIATE THE FACT THAT YOU'RE
14 HAVING THIS PUBLIC HEARING HERE TODAY. WE'VE WORKED LONG AND
15 HARD ON THIS. A SPECIAL THANKS TO MITCH AND HIS STAFF AT
16 REGIONAL PLANNING. ALSO, THE SUPERVISORS' OFFICE FACILITATING
17 MEETINGS WITH PUBLIC WORKS, PARKS AND RECREATION. THIS
18 DOCUMENT GOES A LONG WAY TO PROTECT WHAT AGUA DULCE HAS. WE'RE
19 UNIQUE. AND IT REALLY WILL SOLIDIFY THE FUTURE TO KEEP OUR
20 UNIQUE RURAL ATMOSPHERE. THERE'S JUST THREE ISSUES THAT ARE
21 STILL REMAINING THAT WE HAVE WORKED OUT DIFFERENCES FROM WHAT
22 REGIONAL PLANNING HAD COME UP WITH. AN ADDITIONAL STORAGE
23 CONTAINER, AN ADDITIONAL DOG, AND REVISION FOR MODIFICATION
24 INSTEAD OF A -- IT WILL BE A VARIANCE INSTEAD OF A C.U.P. SO
25 BASED ON THAT, WE HAVE A NUMBER OF PEOPLE HERE WHO CAME FROM



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1 AGUA DULCE IN SUPPORT OF THIS. I'M SURE THEY'RE HERE. IF THEY
2 COULD JUST STAND UP. WE APPRECIATE THEM COMING DOWN HERE
3 TODAY. AND LOOK FORWARD TO THE FINAL APPROVAL.

4

5 **SUP. ANTONOVICH:** THANK YOU. AND THAT WILL BE INCLUDED IN THE
6 MOTION WHEN IT'S BE APPROVED.

7

8 **MARY JOHNSON:** YES. THAT WOULD BE GREAT.

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10 **SUP. YAROSLAVSKY, CHAIRMAN:** THANK YOU, MR. FORD.

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12 **DAVID FORD:** MY NAME IS DAVID FORD, I'M REGIONAL MANAGER FOR
13 SOUTHERN CALIFORNIA EDISON AND OUR LOCAL PUBLIC AFFAIRS
14 DEPARTMENT. WE SINCERELY APOLOGIZE TO THE BOARD FOR THIS LAST
15 MINUTE REQUEST. SOUTHERN CALIFORNIA EDISON APPRECIATES THE
16 OPPORTUNITY TO PROVIDE COMMENTS ON THE AGUA DULCE COMMUNITY
17 STANDARD DISTRICT ORDINANCE. THERE WERE SOME MINOR CHANGES
18 THAT IN THE LANGUAGE OF THE PROPOSED ORDINANCE ADDRESSING
19 UTILITIES THAT WE WOULD LIKE TO REQUEST FROM THE BOARD TO
20 PERMIT US MORE TIME TO WORK WITH THE COUNTY STAFF ON THESE
21 MINOR CHANGES AND IT'S BASICALLY DEALING WITH THE SCREENING OF
22 THE UTILITY INFRASTRUCTURES. IT'S VERY MINOR IN THIS PROPOSED
23 ORDINANCE, AND WE ONLY ASK THAT IF WE COULD HAVE A LITTLE BIT
24 MORE TIME TO WORK WITH THE COUNTY STAFF ON THESE LANGUAGE



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1 CHANGES WITHIN THE ORDINANCE. AND THAT WOULD BE MY REQUEST TO
2 THE BOARD.

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4 **SUP. YAROSLAVSKY, CHAIRMAN:** OKAY. THANK YOU. MR. SACHS?

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6 **ARNOLD SACHS:** ALL RIGHT. GOOD MORNING AGAIN. ARNOLD SACHS. I'M
7 JUST CURIOUS, I WAS WONDERING WHAT THE SELLOUT WAS FOR SANTA
8 CLARITA VALLEY VERSUS AGUA DULCE. BUT NOTHING SAYS COMMUNITY
9 CHARACTER LIKE THE ALLOWANCE OF CARGO SHIPPING CONTAINERS.

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11 **SUP. YAROSLAVSKY, CHAIRMAN:** ALL RIGHT. MR. ANTONOVICH?

12

13 **SUP. ANTONOVICH:** THE AGUA DULCE COMMUNITY STANDARDS DISTRICT
14 WAS ORIGINALLY ESTABLISHED BACK IN 1985, AND THEN BACK IN 2006
15 THE TOWN COUNCIL RE-ESTABLISHED THE C.S.D. REVISION COMMITTEE
16 WITH THE GOAL OF UPDATING. THE COMMITTEE WORKED WITH THE
17 DEPARTMENT OF REGIONAL PLANNING FOR FIVE YEARS TO REVISE THE
18 C.S.D. TO ACHIEVE THE DESIRED GOAL OF THE PRESERVATION OF THE
19 SECLUDED, RURAL NATURE OF THE COMMUNITY. THESE REVISIONS
20 ENCOMPASS A MORE COMPREHENSIVE SET OF STANDARDS INTENDED TO
21 MAINTAIN A DISPERSED LOW DENSITY PATTERN FOR FUTURE
22 DEVELOPMENT AND EQUESTRIAN IN NATURE. THOSE STANDARDS ARE
23 DESIGNED TO PROTECT THE EQUESTRIAN, AGRICULTURAL, HISTORICAL,
24 CULTURAL, ARCHEOLOGICAL, GEOLOGICAL CHARACTERISTICS OF THE
25 COMMUNITY BY PRESERVING THOSE SENSITIVE NATURAL FEATURES SUCH



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1 AS THE VASQUEZ ROCKS NATURAL AREA BY MAINTAINING AND ENHANCING
2 THE PEDESTRIAN AND EQUESTRIAN TRAIL SYSTEM AND MINIMIZING THE
3 PLACEMENT OF URBAN INFRASTRUCTURE SUCH AS STREETLIGHTS AND
4 CONCRETE SIDEWALKS THAT WOULD ALTER THE CHARACTER OF THE
5 COMMUNITY. SINCE THE PLAN'S ADOPTION BY THE REGIONAL PLANNING
6 COMMISSION, ADDITIONAL REQUESTS HAVE BEEN MADE BY THE AGUA
7 DULCE TOWN COUNCIL WHICH HAVE REQUESTED THE PLAN ALLOW A TOTAL
8 OF THREE STORAGE CONTAINERS ON A LOT LARGER THAN 10 ACRES. THE
9 PLAN ALLOWS ONE ADDITIONAL DOG ON LOTS THAT ARE LARGER THAN
10 TWO ACRES, TWO ADDITIONAL DOGS ON LOTS THAT ARE LARGER THAN
11 THREE ACRES, THREE ADDITIONAL DOGS ON LOTS THAT ARE LARGER
12 THAN FOUR ACRES WITH A MAXIMUM OF SIX DOGS. THE DEPARTMENT OF
13 REVISED -- MODIFICATIONS OF DEVELOPMENT STANDARDS REQUIRE
14 MODIFICATION OF THE DEVELOPMENT STANDARDS SPECIFIED IN
15 SUBSECTION D-8, DENSITY CONTROL DEVELOPMENT, AND E-1, A LOT
16 DESIGN TO BE SUBJECT TO A VARIANCE AS PROVIDED IN PART 2 OF
17 CHAPTER 22.56, NOTIFICATION OF THE AGUA DULCE TOWN COUNCIL FOR
18 SOLICITATION OF INPUT FOR THE VARIANCE APPLICATION. THE
19 REQUESTS ABOVE HAVE BEEN REVIEWED BY THE DEPARTMENT OF
20 REGIONAL PLANNING, DEPARTMENT OF ANIMAL CARE AND CONTROL AND
21 COUNTY COUNSEL AND ARE CONSISTENT WITH THE INTENT OF THE PLAN.
22 SO I'D MOVE THAT THE BOARD INCORPORATE THE REQUEST OF THE AGUA
23 DULCE TOWN COUNCIL INTO THE AGUA DULCE C.S.D., AND CONSIDER
24 THE ATTACHED NEGATIVE DECLARATION WITH ANY COMMENTS RECEIVED
25 DURING THE PUBLIC REVIEW PROCESS AS TO THE BASIS OF THE WHOLE



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1 RECORD BEFORE OUR BOARD THAT THERE IS NO SUBSTANTIAL EVIDENCE
2 THAT THE PROJECT WILL HAVE A SIGNIFICANT EFFECT ON THE
3 ENVIRONMENT AND FIND THAT THE NEGATIVE DECLARATION REFLECTS
4 THE INDEPENDENT JUDGMENT ANALYSIS OF OUR BOARD, ADOPT A
5 NEGATIVE DECLARATION AND APPROVE THE RECOMMENDATION OF THE
6 REGIONAL PLANNING COMMISSION TO AMEND THE COUNTY CODE TO
7 UPDATE THE AGUA DULCE C.S.D. AS REFLECTED IN THE DRAFT
8 ORDINANCE, DIRECTING COUNTY COUNSEL TO PREPARE THAT ORDINANCE
9 AMENDING THE COUNTY CODE AS RECOMMENDED BY THE R.P.C. AND
10 RELATIVE TO EDISON'S STATEMENT, HAVE THE TOWN COUNCIL AND
11 REGIONAL PLANNING MEET WITH EDISON IF THERE'S ANY SUGGESTIONS
12 FOR FUTURE MODIFICATION. SO MOVED, MR. CHAIRMAN.

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14 **SUP. YAROSLAVSKY, CHAIRMAN:** I'LL SECOND IT. ANY DISCUSSION?
15 PARDON? IS THERE ANY DISCUSSION? WITHOUT OBJECTION, UNANIMOUS
16 VOTE.

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18 **SUP. ANTONOVICH:** THANK YOU. AND THANK YOU TO THE TOWN COUNCIL
19 AND THE MEMBERS OF THE COMMUNITY. [APPLAUSE.]

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21 **SUP. YAROSLAVSKY, CHAIRMAN:** OKAY, THANK YOU.

22

23 **CLERK SACHI HAMAI:** THAT COMPLETES ALL THE HEARING ITEMS.

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1 **SUP. YAROSLAVSKY, CHAIRMAN:** PUBLIC HEARING ITEMS? NOW WE START
2 WITH ITEM 11?

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4 **CLERK SACHI HAMAI:** IF YOU WANT TO CALL THE INDIVIDUALS.

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6 **SUP. YAROSLAVSKY, CHAIRMAN:** YEAH. SO MR. PREVEN, MR. SACHS AND
7 DR. CLAVREUL. MR. PREVEN HAS ASKED TO BE HEARD ON 11, 12, 14,
8 15, 21, 31, 27, 28, CS-3 AND CS-4. MR. SACHS HAS ASKED TO BE
9 HEARD ON ITEM 19, 21, 31, 25, 26, 32-A AND 32-B. AND DR.
10 CLAVREUL HAS ASKED TO BE HEARD ON ITEM 15, 24 AND 30. MR.
11 PREVEN?

12

13 **ERIC PREVEN:** YEAH, I WOULD REQUEST A CORRECTION ON THAT ITEM,
14 WHERE MR. KNABE INSULTED ME BY ASSUMING IT DID NOT HAVE
15 ANYTHING TO DO WITH THE MARINA WHEN IT DID HAVE TO DO WITH THE
16 MARINA. MY NAME IS ERIC PREVEN AND I AM THE COUNTY RESIDENT
17 FROM DISTRICT 3. AND YOU CAN REVIEW THAT DOCUMENT YOURSELF.

18

19 **SUP. KNABE:** I LOOKED AT IT. NONE OF THE INCREASES INCLUDE
20 MARINA DEL REY. SO JUST END THE CONVERSATION.

21

22 **ERIC PREVEN:** I DON'T APPRECIATE BEING ATTACKED, BUT I'LL MOVE
23 ON. ITEM 14 --

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25 **SUP. KNABE:** THEN SAY THE RIGHT THING.



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2 **ERIC PREVEN:** ITEM 14, UNDER THE CATEGORY OF ATTACK IS AN ITEM
3 IN WHICH SUPERVISOR KNABE IS MOVING TO CHANGE THE LOBBYIST
4 ORDINANCE, 2.160 WHICH WE OF COURSE SUPPORT WHOLEHEARTEDLY. HE
5 IS MAKING IT SO THE TAX AGENTS WOULD ALSO HAVE TO REGISTER
6 WHEN DEALING WITH ASSESSOR-LIKE MODIFICATIONS. AND WE
7 COMPLETELY SUPPORT THAT, SO THANK YOU, SIR. WE WOULD ALSO
8 REQUEST THAT SOME ADDITIONAL CHANGES TO THAT PARTICULAR
9 ORDINANCE BE PUT INTO EFFECT. THOSE INCLUDE THE LOBBYISTS
10 QUARTERLY REPORT DOCUMENTATION ARE ONLY CURRENTLY AVAILABLE
11 FOR ONE YEAR. SO, FOR EXAMPLE, WE WOULD KNOW THAT LIKE A FIRM
12 LIKE ENGLANDER, KNABE, & ALLEN LOBBIES THE COUNTY TO THE TUNE
13 OF A MILLION DOLLARS IN ONE YEAR, BUT WE WOULDN'T KNOW WHAT
14 HAPPENED IN THE PRECEDING FIVE YEARS. WE WOULD REQUEST THAT
15 THIS BOARD CHANGE THE ORDINANCE SO THAT ALL THOSE DOCUMENTS
16 ARE ONLINE, NOT ONLY AVAILABLE THROUGH PUBLIC RECORD ACT
17 REQUESTS, WHICH IS THE CURRENT SETUP. SO I WOULD APPRECIATE
18 THAT. ITEM NO. 11 IS NATIONAL PUBLIC WORKS WEEK. I'M GOING TO
19 HAVE TO SHORTEN MY REMARKS ON THIS, BUT OF COURSE I AM A BIG
20 SUPPORTER OF PUBLIC WORKS. I BELIEVE THAT IT IS ACTUALLY A
21 GREAT PART OF AMERICA, THE WAY WE COME TOGETHER AND DO GREAT
22 THINGS. I DON'T NEED TO TELL SOME OF YOU ABOUT THIS HISTORY OF
23 THIS GREAT COUNTRY AND EVEN, FRANKLY, PARTS OF THE MARINA WERE
24 PUT TOGETHER BY GREAT EFFORTS OF A PUBLIC WORK VARIETY. THAT
25 SAID, THE GORDIAN GROUP OF SOUTH CAROLINA TAKES 1.95 PERCENT



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1 OF VIRTUALLY ALL OF OUR AGREEMENTS THESE DAYS AND IT'S
2 DIZZYING FOR ME. ITEM 28 TODAY, ITEM 27 TODAY, YOU CAN LOOK
3 MORE CLOSELY IF YOU LIKE TO GET TO THE BOTTOM OF WHY THIS
4 GROUP IS DOING SO WELL, IT'S 100 PEOPLE IN THIS COMPANY AT OUR
5 EXPENSE AND AT OUR PUBLIC WORKS EXPENSE. ITEM NO. 15 HAS TO DO
6 WITH THE RANCHO LOS AMIGOS, ONE OF OUR GREAT, THE JEWEL OF OUR
7 HOSPITAL EMPIRE, WHICH IS OTHERWISE IN BAD SHAPE. WE'RE
8 GETTING SOME MONEY AND WE'RE GOING TO GET THE CONGRESSIONAL
9 DELEGATION GOING. I ASSUME THIS HAS SOMETHING TO DO WITH THE
10 TRIP TO WASHINGTON. AND I HOPE THAT IT DID DO WELL. WE STILL
11 DON'T KNOW WHICH OF THE THREE SUPERVISORS ATTENDED AND I AM
12 STILL VERY CURIOUS. ITEM CS-3 AND CS-4 I'M GOING TO CLOSE
13 WITH. CS-4, YOU'VE HEARD ME GO ON ABOUT THE COUNTY COUNSEL
14 JOB. I FINALLY GET IT. I REALIZE I HAVE BEEN KIND OF OUT OF IT
15 HERE. THE REASON WHY WE'RE HAVING MONTHS AND MONTHS TO LOOK
16 FOR SOMEBODY TO BE THE COUNTY COUNSEL IS BECAUSE NOBODY WANTS
17 THE JOB, AND I UNDERSTAND THAT NOW. IT HAS TAKEN ME A LITTLE
18 WHILE TO COME TO AT THAT CONCLUSION. IT IS THANKLESS JOB TO
19 DEFEND THIS GROUP THAT HAS BEEN DRAGGED THROUGH THE NEWS AND
20 THROUGH OTHER PUBLIC FORUMS FOR THEIR, FRANKLY, I DON'T WANT
21 TO SAY BETRAYAL OF TRUST BECAUSE IT'S STRONG, BUT SINCE
22 SUPERVISOR KNABE PROVOKED ME, I WILL SAY THAT THERE IS A KIND
23 OF BETRAYAL OF TRUST. BECAUSE YOU ALL ARE ARROGANT ABOUT THE
24 PUBLIC INPUT. THE PUBLIC SCRUTINY MEANS NOTHING TO YOU. IT'S



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1 SOMETHING TO BE PUSHED ASIDE OR SILENCED IMMEDIATELY LIKE NOW.

2 THANK YOU, SIR.

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4 **SUP. YAROSLAVSKY, CHAIRMAN:** OKAY. MR. SACHS?

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6 **ARNOLD SACHS:** THANK YOU. GOOD MORNING, AGAIN. ARNOLD SACHS.

7 LET'S JUST JUMP AROUND HERE. I HELD ITEM 26 BECAUSE IT

8 MENTIONS COUNTY EXCESS FUNDS. AND IT WOULD BE INTERESTING TO

9 HEAR, WE HAVE ALL THESE PEOPLE OUT HERE WHO ARE GOING TO BE

10 ASKING FOR FUNDING FOR PROGRAMS TO KEEP THEM ALIVE, THAT'S

11 ONLY \$315,000. BUT TAKEN OVER THE COURSE OF THE COUNTY

12 AGENDAS, HOW MANY ITEMS ON YOUR AGENDA REFER TO COUNTY EXCESS

13 FUNDS? AND CONSIDERING YOUR BUDGET IS LIKE \$22 BILLION, EVEN A

14 TENTH OF A PERCENT COMES TO \$20 MILLION. SO PEOPLE SHOULD

15 ACTUALLY LOOK AT THE MEANING OF COUNTY EXCESS FUNDS AND WHERE

16 IT COMES TO AND HOW IT'S SPENT WHEN YOU COME IN HERE TO ASK

17 FOR YOUR PROGRAMS TO BE UPHELD AND YOUR JOBS TO BE UPHELD.

18 THAT BEING SAID, I HELD ITEM 19. YOU SPENT THE MORNING GIVING

19 AN AWARD OUT TO SOMEBODY FOR THEIR CASE MANAGEMENT TOOL TO

20 HELP WITH CHILDREN. AND YET ITEM 19 "DEVELOP A UNIT THAT IS

21 DEDICATED TO CASE MANAGEMENT AND DEVELOP A CASE MANAGEMENT

22 METHODOLOGY." WELL, ISN'T THAT WHAT YOU JUST GAVE AN AWARD TO?

23 BECAUSE HE DEVELOPED A TOOL TO HELP WITH CASE MANAGEMENT

24 METHODOLOGY? DO YOU EVEN KNOW WHAT'S GOING ON IN YOUR OWN

25 COUNTY? DO YOU SPEND THE TIME TO PAY ATTENTION? DO YOU KNOW



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1 WHAT'S SIGNED UP FOR, SIR? IT'S AMAZING THAT YOU WOULD SPEND
2 TIME TO GIVE AN AWARD FOR SOMEBODY WHO CREATED THIS
3 METHODOLOGY AND THEN HAVE AN ITEM ON YOUR AGENDA OF LOOKING TO
4 CREATE A CASE TOOL. ISN'T THAT WHAT THIS E.R.C.P. IS SUPPOSED
5 TO DO? THE OLD PEOPLE COME IN, THE CHILDREN COME IN HERE,
6 SHOULDN'T THEY BE EVALUATED BY THEM THEN? HOW CAN YOU ASK TO
7 BE EVALUATING CHILDREN TO FIND OUT WHAT KIND OF CHILDREN
8 YOU'RE GOING TO SERVE? YOU'RE GOING TO SERVE FOSTER YOUTH.
9 YOU'RE GOING TO SERVE YOUTH THAT ARE ABUSED. THAT'S PRETTY
10 SIMPLE TO UNDERSTAND FOR ANYBODY BUT THE BOARD OF SUPERVISORS.
11 THAT BEING SAID, I HELD ITEMS 21 AND 25 BECAUSE THEY BOTH DEAL
12 WITH SOUTHERN CALIFORNIA EDISON. AND IN REDONDO BEACH, THEY
13 HAD A PROBLEM WITH A POWER PLANT THERE, BUT THEY ALSO HAD A
14 PROBLEM WITH THE VAULTS, THE POWER VAULTS. SO I'M GOING TO
15 READ SOMETHING FROM THE BEACH REPORTER DATED APRIL 12, 2012.
16 SOUTHERN CALIFORNIA EDISON IS CONCERNED WITH THE SAFETY OF THE
17 PUBLIC AND OUR EMPLOYEES, SCOTT GOBBLE SAID AN EVEN HIGHER
18 THAN NORMAL E.M.F., WHICH ARE ELECTROMAGNETIC FIELDS AND
19 VOLTAGE EMISSIONS REPORTED IN THE NEIGHBORHOOD AROUND THE
20 SUBSTATION CONFORMS TO THE STANDARDS SET BY THE C.P.U.C. WELL,
21 IF THOSE STANDARDS ARE THE HIGHER STANDARDS CONFORM, I'M SURE
22 THAT THE LOWER STANDARDS THAT WOULD ALSO CONFORM. SO IF BOTH
23 HIGHER AND LOWER STANDARDS ARE CONFORMING TO THE STANDARDS SET
24 BY THE C.P.U.C., THEN WHAT EXACTLY ARE THE STANDARDS? MAYBE
25 THEY'RE BOARD STANDARDS. AND THEN 32-A, YOU'RE GOING TO WRITE



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1 A LETTER TO THE GOVERNOR? HA. 32-B, FIRST FIVE? DON'T YOU HAVE
2 TOBACCO PROGRAM THERE? ISN'T THAT MONEY BEING DISABUSED?

3

4 **SUP. YAROSLAVSKY, CHAIRMAN:** YOUR TIME IS UP. [APPLAUSE.]

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6 **DR. GENEVIEVE CLAVREUL:** GOOD MORNING, BOARD OF SUPERVISORS,
7 DR. GENEVIEVE CLAVREUL. ON ITEM 15 ON RANCHO LOS AMIGOS, I'M
8 TOTALLY IN SUPPORT OF THAT MOTION. AND I HOPE THAT YOU DO GET
9 THE FUNDING NECESSARY BECAUSE I KNOW THEY DO DESERVE IT. AND
10 THEY ARE CERTAINLY ONE OF THE BEST IN THE U.S. ON THAT ITEM.
11 ON ITEM NO. 24, WE CONSTANTLY RECEIVE AND GIVE GRANTS ON
12 INFORMATION TECHNOLOGY AND ON E-MEDICAL RECORDS AND SO ON. I
13 THINK IT'S VERY DIFFICULT TO REALIZE HOW MANY OF THOSE ITEMS
14 ARE BEING ACTUALLY IMPLEMENTED AND SO ON. I THINK IT WOULD BE
15 VERY NICE TO GET SOME -- WHEN I HAVE REQUESTED THE RECORD ON
16 THAT FOR A LONG, LONG TIME AND WE STILL DON'T KNOW WHAT'S
17 GOING ON IN THE INFORMATION TECHNOLOGY. SO THAT'S OF GREAT
18 CONCERN TO ME. BUT I'M VERY PATIENT AND I AM RELENTLESS AND I
19 KNOW ONE DAY I WILL GET THAT INFORMATION. ON ITEM 30, ABOUT
20 ORDINANCE FOR ADOPTING A CHANGE OF POSITION? AGAIN, WE ARE
21 HAVING -- THERE HAS BEEN A LOT OF PUBLICITY THAT YOUR
22 RELATIONSHIP WITH S.E.I.U. AND SO ON THAT THERE HAS NOT BEEN
23 ANY PAY INCREASE, BUT THEN WHEN YOU LOOK AT ORDINANCE LIKE ON
24 ITEM NO. 30, WE ARE HAVING NUMEROUS R.N. POSITIONS WHICH ARE
25 CHANGED FROM CLINICIAN 1 TO 2 AND FROM 2 TO 3, WHICH IS A HUGE



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1 INCREASE IN PAY, AND SO ON. SO I JUST THINK IT WOULD BE NICE
2 TO LET US KNOW WHAT THOSE ARE. AND I THINK IT'S A LACK OF
3 CONSISTENCY. BECAUSE WE ARE CONSTANTLY AGAINST ANY PAY
4 INCREASE WHATSOEVER, BUT WE HAVE CHANGE THE CEILING
5 CONSISTENTLY, IN INCREASE IN STATUS AND POSITION. WHICH I KNOW
6 THERE IS A PAY INCREASE GOING WITH THAT. ASSUMING YOU ARE
7 PLAYING WITH THE NUMBERS. AND LAST WEEK WAS NURSE'S WEEK, SO I
8 THOUGHT YOU MAY ENJOY AN ARTICLE THAT "NURSING IS NOT JUST A
9 JOB, BUT AN ADVENTURE" IN "WORKING NURSE" MAGAZINE.

10

11 **SUP. YAROSLAVSKY, CHAIRMAN:** THANK YOU.

12

13 **DR. GENEVIEVE CLAVREUL:** AND YOU KNOW, SUPERVISOR MOLINA, YOU
14 MUST THINK IT'S A JOKE FOR YOU NOT TO PAY ATTENTION. NOBODY
15 OBLIGED YOU TO RUN FOR YOUR POSITION BUT YOU'RE GETTING PAID
16 TO DO YOUR JOB.

17

18 **SUP. YAROSLAVSKY, CHAIRMAN:** THANK YOU. [APPLAUSE.] SACHI?

19

20 **CLERK SACHI HAMAI:** THERE'S A NUMBER OF ITEMS BEFORE YOU, ITEM
21 NO. 11. ITEM NO. 11, 12, 15. ON ITEM 21, THAT WILL BE CONTINUED
22 ONE WEEK. 24, 25, 26. ON ITEM 28, THAT ITEM WILL BE CONTINUED
23 ONE WEEK. ITEM NO. 30, ITEM NO. 31 WILL BE CONTINUED ONE WEEK.
24 ITEM NO. 32-B. SUPERVISOR, AGAIN, KNABE AND ANTONOVICH VOTE NO
25 ON THAT ITEM. AND CS-3 WILL BE CONTINUED TO JUNE 26.



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2 **SUP. YAROSLAVSKY, CHAIRMAN:** OKAY. SO THOSE THAT ARE BEFORE US,
3 ANTONOVICH MOVES, MOLINA SECONDS, WITHOUT OBJECTION, UNANIMOUS
4 VOTE.

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6 **CLERK SACHI HAMAI:** EXCEPT FOR ON ITEM 32-B, IN WHICH --

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8 **SUP. YAROSLAVSKY, CHAIRMAN:** ON ITEM 32-B KNABE AND ANTONOVICH
9 ARE RECORDED AS NO VOTES.

10

11 **CLERK SACHI HAMAI:** RIGHT. BECAUSE YOU HAD SUPERVISOR
12 ANTONOVICH?

13

14 **SUP. YAROSLAVSKY, CHAIRMAN:** OKAY. I WILL MOVE ON ALL OF THESE.
15 AND MOLINA WILL SECOND. WITH THE EXCEPTION OF 32-B, WHERE
16 THERE'LL BE THOSE TWO, ANTONOVICH AND KNABE VOTING NO, THE
17 BALANCE WILL BE UNANIMOUS VOTE.

18

19 **CLERK SACHI HAMAI:** THANK YOU.

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21 **SUP. YAROSLAVSKY, CHAIRMAN:** AND THE OTHERS WILL BE CONTINUED
22 AS YOU INDICATED.

23

24 **CLERK SACHI HAMAI:** YES.

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1 **SUP. YAROSLAVSKY, CHAIRMAN:** THAT INCLUDES ITEM 14?

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3 **CLERK SACHI HAMAI:** ITEM NO. 14 WILL BE CONTINUED -- WELL WE
4 HAVEN'T DISCUSSED IT YET. ITEM NO. 14 IS STILL --

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6 **SUP. YAROSLAVSKY, CHAIRMAN:** OH THERE ARE STILL OTHERS WHO WANT
7 TO BE HEARD ON IT. OKAY, GREAT. UNANIMOUS VOTE. WITH THE
8 EXCEPTION OF 32-B, UNANIMOUS VOTE. MR. RIDLEY-THOMAS, YOU'RE
9 UP FIRST.

10

11 **SUP. RIDLEY-THOMAS:** THANK YOU, MR. CHAIRMAN, I HAVE SEVERAL
12 ADJOURNING MOTIONS WHICH I'D LIKE TO CALL TO THE ATTENTION OF
13 THE BOARD. I'LL BEGIN WITH JOHN CALDWELL, GREW UP IN LOS
14 ANGELES, PASSED AWAY ON MAY 18 AT THE AGE OF 52. HE GRADUATED
15 FROM FAIRFAX HIGH SCHOOL AND ATTENDED U.C.L.A., WHERE HE
16 EARNED A BACHELOR'S DEGREE MAGNA CUM LAUDE IN HISTORY IN THE
17 YEAR OF 1981. AT U.C.L.A., HE SERVED AS PRESIDENT OF
18 U.C.L.A.'S BLACK STUDENT ALLIANCE, ONE OF THE ORGANIZATIONS
19 FOCUSED ON THE ANTIAPARTHEID MOVEMENT AND THIRD WORLD
20 COALITION POLITICS. AFTER U.C.L.A., HE AN ATTENDED THE
21 UNIVERSITY OF TEXAS LAW SCHOOL AT AUSTIN. THERE HE SERVED AS
22 PRESIDENT OF THE THURGOOD MARSHALL LEGAL SOCIETY AND CLERKED
23 FOR TWO YEARS FOR CENTRAL TEXAS LEGAL AID WHERE HE WORKED WITH
24 NEIGHBORHOOD GROUPS. HE IS SURVIVED BY HIS TWO SISTERS, CHERRY
25 AND JENNIFER; HIS NEPHEW, RYAN; AND NIECE, RIANNA; AND A HOST



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1 OF EXTENDED FAMILY AND FRIENDS WHO WILL MISS HIM DEARLY. JOHN
2 CALDWELL, MR. CHAIRMAN. ETHEL LEE WHITEHURST CROMWELL, BORN ON
3 JUNE 22, 1940, IN SHREVEPORT, LOUISIANA, PASSED ON MAY 2, AT
4 THE AGE OF 71. SHE RELOCATED TO LOS ANGELES WITH HER FAMILY AT
5 THE AGE OF 9 AND GRADUATED FROM JOHN C. FREEMONT HIGH SCHOOL.
6 SHE ATTENDED LOS ANGELES TRADE TECHNICAL COLLEGE, WORKED AT
7 CEDAR SINAI HOSPITAL AND WORKED FOR THE COUNTY'S DEPARTMENT OF
8 PUBLIC SOCIAL SERVICES AS AN ELIGIBILITY WORKER. SHE WAS AN
9 ACTIVE MEMBER OF HER COMMUNITY AND A MEMBER OF THE GREATER
10 EBENEZER MISSIONARY BAPTIST CHURCH. SHE WILL BE REMEMBERED FOR
11 HER UPLIFTING PERSONALITY, HER BEAUTIFUL SMILE. SHE IS
12 SURVIVED BY HER SISTER, BOBBIE JEAN; HER BROTHER, DEWITT; HER
13 DAUGHTER, DESIREE; HER SON, LEONARD, JR.; TWO GRANDCHILDREN;
14 ONE GREAT GRANDDAUGHTER AND A HOST OF EXTENDED FAMILY AND
15 FRIENDS WHO WILL MISS HER DEARLY. MR. CHAIRMAN, BEVERLY YVONNE
16 BLAKE, BORN MARCH 3, 1943 IN HUTCHINSON, KANSAS AND PASSED ON
17 MAY 27 AT THE AGE OF 69. SHE RELOCATED TO LOS ANGELES WITH HER
18 FAMILY AS A CHILD, GRADUATED FROM LOS ANGELES HIGH SCHOOL IN
19 1961. SHE FOUNDED THE INTERAGENCY COUNCIL IN 1991 AND SERVED
20 ON VARIOUS BOARDS AS THE VERMONT NEIGHBORHOOD COUNCIL AND THE
21 UNITED JOB CREATION COUNCIL. SHE WAS ALSO AN ACTIVE MEMBER OF
22 THE CHURCH OF THE LIVING WORD IN LOS ANGELES. SHE WILL BE
23 REMEMBERED FOR HER DEDICATION TO IMPROVING HER NEIGHBORHOOD
24 AND FOR ENCOURAGING YOUTH TO ACHIEVE THEIR FULL POTENTIAL. SHE
25 IS SURVIVED BY HER SISTER, MADELINE; HER DAUGHTERS, JAMIE AND



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1 SHAUNA; HER SON, STEPHEN; FIVE GRANDCHILDREN; AND A HOST OF
2 EXTENDED FAMILY AND FRIENDS WHO WILL INDEED MISS HER. FINALLY,
3 MR. CHAIRMAN AND COLLEAGUES, LEO B. FULLER, BORN MAY 2, 1953
4 IN LOS ANGELES, CALIFORNIA. PASSED ON MAY 15 AT THE AGE OF 59.
5 HE RELOCATED TO LOS ANGELES WITH HIS FAMILY AT THE AGE OF 8
6 AND GRADUATED FROM CRENSHAW HIGH SCHOOL. HE BEGAN HIS CAREER
7 WITH THE LOS ANGELES CITY IN 1986 IN THE DEPARTMENT OF
8 BUILDING AND SAFETY AS AN ASSISTANT INSPECTOR. HE PROMOTED
9 THROUGH THE RANKS AND REACHED PRINCIPAL INSPECTOR, MANAGING
10 THE SOUTH REGION, WHICH INCLUDED MOST OF THE CITY AREAS WITHIN
11 THE SECOND SUPERVISORIAL DISTRICT AS WELL AS THE FOURTH
12 SUPERVISORIAL DISTRICT. IN 2002, HE ESTABLISHED THE BAYOU
13 QUEEN BEE FARMS AND BEGAN PRODUCING HONEY AND CALLED IT AUNT
14 ELLIE'S 100 PERCENT NATURAL LOUISIANA HONEY. HE ENJOYED
15 COOKING AND GARDENING, AND WILL BE REMEMBERED FOR HIS VAST
16 KNOWLEDGE OF CITY CODES AND ORDINANCES, HIS COMPASSION FOR
17 KEEPING THE COMMUNITY A SAFER PLACE IN WHICH TO LIVE. HE IS
18 SURVIVED BY HIS WIFE, ELISA; AND HIS DAUGHTER, LESLIE; AND A
19 HOST OF EXTENDED FAMILY, FRIENDS AND COLLEAGUES IN THE CITY OF
20 LOS ANGELES WHO WILL MISS HIM. I PUNCTUATE THE POINT BY
21 INDICATING THAT THIS WAS A STANDUP INDIVIDUAL WHO BATTLED
22 CANCER FOR 15 PLUS YEARS AND YET DECIDED THAT HE WAS GOING TO
23 WORK AS A DEDICATED LOYAL CITY EMPLOYEE AND DID THAT TO THE
24 POINT OF HIS DEATH. AND WE REMEMBER HIM RESPECTFULLY AND



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1 FONDLY. MR. CHAIRMAN, THOSE ARE MY ADJOURNING MOTIONS. I
2 SUBMIT THEM FOR YOUR CONSIDERATION.

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4 **SUP. YAROSLAVSKY, CHAIRMAN:** WITHOUT OBJECTION, UNANIMOUS VOTE.

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6 **SUP. RIDLEY-THOMAS:** I HAVE A COUPLE OF OTHER ITEMS TO BE
7 DISPOSED OF, MR. CHAIRMAN, WITH YOUR PERMISSION. ITEM 27 IS
8 THE MATTER OF THE HALL OF JUSTICE. I DON'T KNOW IF THERE ARE
9 PERSONS WISHING TO BE HEARD ON THAT. I DID HOLD IT. ANY
10 INDICATION OF SUCH.

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12 **SUP. YAROSLAVSKY, CHAIRMAN:** WHICH ITEMS, SORRY?

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14 **SUP. RIDLEY-THOMAS:** 27. NO ONE HOLDING IT OTHERWISE, NO
15 PERSONS WISHING TO BE HEARD ON IT?

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17 **SUP. YAROSLAVSKY, CHAIRMAN:** SORRY. LET ME JUST GET TO THAT
18 ITEM.

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20 **SUP. RIDLEY-THOMAS:** 27, I'M PREPARED TO MOVE FORWARD ON THAT.

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22 **SUP. YAROSLAVSKY, CHAIRMAN:** WHO ARE THE MEMBERS OF THE PUBLIC
23 WHO ARE HOLDING THAT?

24

25 **SUP. RIDLEY-THOMAS:** ARE THERE ANY?



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2 **SUP. YAROSLAVSKY, CHAIRMAN:** THERE ARE NONE.

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4 **SUP. RIDLEY-THOMAS:** ALL RIGHT, SO THAT WAS THE QUESTION. MR.
5 CHAIRMAN, MAY I JUST SIMPLY SAY THAT THE MATTER OF LOCAL
6 WORKER HIRE IS OF SIGNIFICANCE TO ALL OF US. I THINK WHAT
7 SHOULD HAPPEN PROSPECTIVELY IS A POLICY THAT SEEKS TO CLARIFY
8 WHAT LOCAL WORKER HIRING CAN BE. AND I THINK GIVEN THE
9 CONSENSUS ON THE BOARD, IT'S HIGH TIME THAT WE MOVE TOWARD A
10 COMPREHENSIVE POLICY THAT MANDATES LOCAL WORKER HIRING. AND IT
11 WOULD BE MY OBJECTIVE TO BRING THAT TO THE BOARD'S ATTENTION
12 FOR DISPOSITION AT A FUTURE DATE TO BE DETERMINED. BUT I WAS
13 HOPING THAT WE COULD ACCOMPLISH THAT IN THE CONTEXT OF ITEM
14 27. THIS MATTER SHOULD MOVE FORWARD PURSUANT TO THE REQUEST OF
15 SUPERVISOR MOLINA AND AT THE POINT IN TIME THAT WE WANT TO
16 LOOK AT A MORE COMPREHENSIVE POLICY, I TRUST THAT THE BOARD
17 WILL RESPOND FAVORABLY. AND SO I RELEASE THE HOLD AND HOPE
18 THAT WE CAN MOVE FORWARD.

19

20 **SUP. YAROSLAVSKY, CHAIRMAN:** OKAY. IT WAS MOVED BY MOLINA.
21 SECONDED BY RIDLEY-THOMAS. WITHOUT OBJECTION, ITEM NO. 27 IS
22 APPROVED.

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24 **SUP. RIDLEY-THOMAS:** BUT THEN THERE'S ITEM 32-A, MR. CHAIRMAN,
25 BEFORE US. AND THERE ARE THOSE WHO WISH TO BE HEARD BY PUBLIC



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1 COMMENT, I THINK. AND IF THAT'S IN ORDER, I WOULD CERTAINLY
2 WANT TO --

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4 **SUP. YAROSLAVSKY, CHAIRMAN:** WE HAVE SEVERAL WHO HAVE ASKED TO
5 BE HEARD. CRISTINA ALVARADO, IF YOU'LL COME DOWN HERE. LEVI
6 KINGSTON? KATE ANDERSON. GLORIA DAVIS?

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8 **CRISTINA ALVARADO:** SHOULD WE SPEAK EVEN THOUGH IT HAS ALREADY
9 BEEN VOTED ON?

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11 **SUP. YAROSLAVSKY, CHAIRMAN:** NO, IT NOT BEEN VOTED ON.

12

13 **CRISTINA ALVARADO:** OH. OKAY. MY NAME IS CRISTINA ALVARADO, I'M
14 THE EXECUTIVE DIRECTOR OF THE CHILDCARE ALLIANCE OF LOS
15 ANGELES. FIRST OF ALL, I WANT TO APPRECIATE AND STATE OUR
16 APPRECIATION FOR OUR LONG-STANDING PARTNERSHIP BETWEEN THE
17 A.P. AGENCIES AND THE COUNTY OF L.A. IN SERVING THE CHILDREN
18 IN THIS COUNTY. AS YOU MAY KNOW, THE EARLY CARE AND EDUCATION
19 SYSTEM HAS ALREADY BEEN CUT 30 PERCENT IN THE LAST THREE
20 YEARS. THE INFRASTRUCTURE HAS BEEN IMPACTED TO THE POINT WHERE
21 IT MAY COLLAPSE THE SYSTEM. THE GOVERNOR IS PROPOSING TO CUT
22 ANOTHER \$452 MILLION FROM THE CHILDCARE BUDGET. INCLUDED IN
23 THE MAY REVISED PROPOSAL IS TO CUT THE REIMBURSEMENT RATES FOR
24 BOTH CHILDCARE CENTERS AND VOUCHER PROGRAMS. IN LOS ANGELES
25 COUNTY, PROVIDERS WHO ARE NOW PROVIDING EARLY EDUCATION



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1 SERVICES TO LOW INCOME CHILDREN WILL HAVE THEIR INCOME OR
2 REIMBURSEMENT RATE CUT BY AS MUCH AS 30 PERCENT. THE MESSAGE
3 THAT THIS SENDS OUT IS THAT LOW INCOME FAMILIES ARE LESS
4 VALUED IN THIS STATE. I'M SURE THAT THE COUNTY BOARD OF
5 SUPERVISORS BELIEVES THAT ALL CHILDREN DESERVE A QUALITY EARLY
6 CHILDHOOD EDUCATION, INCLUDING THOSE THAT RESIDE WITH WORKING
7 PARENTS WHO ARE LOW INCOME. FINALLY, ONCE THESE CUTS ARE MADE,
8 A CRIPPLED CHILD DEVELOPMENT SYSTEM WILL BE REALIGNED TO THE
9 COUNTY OF LOS ANGELES AND YOU ALL WILL BE FORCED TO PICK UP
10 THOSE PIECES. POLICY SHOULD NOT BE MADE IN THE BUDGET PROCESS.
11 SUPERVISOR MARK RIDLEY-THOMAS HAS BROUGHT A MOTION TO THE
12 BOARD TODAY. PLEASE VOTE YES AND SUPPORT THE MOTION TO SEND A
13 STRONG MESSAGE TO THE GOVERNOR AND LEGISLATURE AS STATED IN
14 MOTION 32-A. THANK YOU.

15

16 **SUP. YAROSLAVSKY, CHAIRMAN:** THANK YOU. BEFORE WE GO ON, LET ME
17 JUST MOVE TO RECONSIDER ITEM 32-B. I WAS NOT AWARE THAT THERE
18 WERE TWO PEOPLE WHO WANTED TO BE HEARD ON THAT WHO WE DIDN'T
19 CALL ON. SO WE'LL RECONSIDER THAT WITHOUT OBJECTION AND THEN
20 WE'LL HOLD IT UNTIL AFTER THIS ITEM. ALL RIGHT. LEVI KINGSTON.
21 LEVI?

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23 **LEVI KINGSTON:** GOOD MORNING.

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25 **SUP. YAROSLAVSKY, CHAIRMAN:** GOOD MORNING, HOW ARE YOU?



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2 **LEVI KINGSTON:** I'LL BE BRIEF IN MY REMARKS. FIRST OF ALL MY
3 NAME IS LEVI KINGSTON, I'M THE CHAIRMAN OF THE BOARD AND
4 FOUNDER OF HOOVER INTERGENERATIONAL CARE. YOU HAVE MY ADDRESS,
5 I THINK, AT 3216 HOOVER STREET. WE'VE BEEN FUNDED BY THE STATE
6 DEPARTMENT OF EDUCATION THROUGH THE OFFICE OF CHILD
7 DEVELOPMENT FOR OVER 30 YEARS. I THINK THAT SPEAKS FOR ITSELF.
8 I AM NOT THE EXECUTIVE DIRECTOR OF HOOVER INTERGENERATIONAL,
9 SHE COULD NOT BE HERE TODAY. BUT I HAVE COME HERE TO SUPPORT
10 MARK'S PROPOSAL. WHAT I'D LIKE TO SAY BRIEFLY, IF I MIGHT, IS
11 THAT THAT CHILDCARE, AND ONE OF MY MENTORS USED TO ADVOCATE
12 THIS ALL THE TIME, VIVIAN WEINSTEIN, WOULD SUGGEST THAT
13 CHILDCARE SHOULD NOT BE REVIEWED OR PERCEIVED AS A WELFARE
14 ISSUE IN THE FIRST PLACE. CHILDCARE IS A SOCIAL ISSUE. IT
15 CROSSES ALL KINDS OF CLASS LINES, ET CETERA. SO I WOULD AGAIN
16 LIKE TO CURTAIL MY REMARKS AND ASK FOR SUPPORT OF SUPERVISOR
17 THOMAS'S PROPOSAL.

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19 **SUP. YAROSLAVSKY, CHAIRMAN:** THANK YOU VERY MUCH, LEROY. GOOD
20 TO HAVE YOU HERE AT THE HALL OF ADMINISTRATION. I'M USED TO
21 SEEING YOU AT THE COLISEUM. NEXT IS KATE ANDERSON?

22

23 **KATE ANDERSON:** GOOD MORNING. MY NAME IS KATE ANDERSON. I'M
24 HERE ON BEHALF OF CHILDREN NOW, A STATEWIDE NONPROFIT RESEARCH
25 POLICY AND ADVOCACY ORGANIZATION TO SPEAK STRONGLY IN FAVOR OF



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1 THIS MOTION. AS EVERY PARENT, TEACHER, ANYONE THAT DEALS WITH
2 KIDS KNOW, EDUCATION BEGINS AT BIRTH. LEARNING BEGINS AT
3 BIRTH. 85 PERCENT OF A CHILD'S BRAIN IS DEVELOPED BY AGE FIVE.
4 IF WE WANT OUR YOUNG PEOPLE GRADUATING FROM HIGH SCHOOL, WE
5 NEED TO START NOT AT KINDERGARTEN BUT IN CHILDCARE. BECAUSE
6 CHILDCARE IS THE PLACE WHERE THE ARCHITECTURE OF THEIR BRAINS
7 ARE DEVELOPING. THE STATE OF CALIFORNIA WAS VERY PROGRESSIVE
8 MANY, MANY YEARS AGO IN PUTTING RESPONSIBILITY FOR CHILDCARE
9 IN THE DEPARTMENT OF EDUCATION TO BEGIN WITH. BECAUSE WHAT'S
10 HAPPENING FOR THESE INFANTS, FOR THESE TODDLERS IS EDUCATION,
11 THE RESPONSIBILITY FOR THOSE PROGRAMS BELONGS IN THE
12 DEPARTMENT OF EDUCATION. I WANT TO THANK SUPERVISOR RIDLEY-
13 THOMAS FOR HIS VERY FORWARD-THINKING MOTION AND I URGE THE
14 BOARD TO SUPPORT IT.

15

16 **SUP. YAROSLAVSKY, CHAIRMAN:** THANK YOU. MS. DAVIS, YOU'LL BE
17 NEXT. LET ME JUST CALL ON JACQUELYN MCCROSKEY, WHO HAS ALSO
18 ASKED TO BE HEARD. IS SHE HERE? OKAY. MS. DAVIS?

19

20 **GLORIA DAVIS:** GOOD MORNING, SUPERVISORS, I'M GLORIA DAVIS, THE
21 EXECUTIVE DIRECTOR OF THE GIRLS' CLUB OF LOS ANGELES, AND WE
22 HAVE A STATE FUNDED PROGRAM. ALSO I'M THE LOCAL PRESIDENT OF
23 THE LOS ANGELES ASSOCIATION OF THE EDUCATION OF YOUNG
24 CHILDREN. AND I'M HERE TO SUPPORT SUPERVISOR MARK RIDLEY-
25 THOMAS'S MOTION TO REJECT GOVERNOR BROWN'S RE-ALIGNMENT



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1 PROPOSAL FOR CHILDCARE, URGING THE GOVERNOR AND THE
2 LEGISLATURE TO CREATE ALTERNATIVE SOLUTIONS TO KEEP CHILDCARE
3 PROGRAMS UNDER THE MANAGEMENT OF THE DEPARTMENT OF EDUCATION.
4 THE GOVERNOR'S PROPOSAL WOULD DISRUPT AND MAY DESTROY HIGH
5 QUALITY PROGRAMS IN THE COUNTY. AT GIRLS' CLUB OF LOS ANGELES,
6 OUR PROGRAM IS ACCREDITED BY THE NATIONAL ASSOCIATION OF
7 EDUCATION OF YOUNG CHILDREN, AND WE FOCUS ON HIGH PERFORMANCE.
8 RESEARCH HAS PROVEN THAT EVERY ONE DOLLAR SPENT ON CHILDCARE,
9 \$3 GOES BACK INTO OUR ECONOMY. AFTER WORKING WITH LOW INCOME
10 FAMILIES IN OUR COMMUNITY FOR OVER 20 YEARS, WE KNOW THAT THE
11 KEY TO THEIR EMPLOYMENT SUCCESS IS STABLE ACCESS TO QUALITY,
12 SUBSIDIZED CHILD DEVELOPMENT PROGRAM AND SERVICES. THE STATE
13 CANNOT CONTINUE TO GROW ITS ECONOMY AND FULLY EXIT FROM THIS
14 RECESSION WITHOUT QUALITY CHILDCARE. MOVING TO A WELFARE
15 VOUCHER SYSTEM WILL NOT HELP US ACHIEVE OUR ECONOMIC GOALS.
16 NOT ALL WORKING POOR FAMILIES ARE ON WELFARE. OUR LOW INCOME
17 CHILDREN, JUST LIKE MANY OTHER CHILDREN, SHOULD HAVE ACCESS
18 AND OPPORTUNITY TO CARE FOR EDUCATION AND QUALITY PROVIDERS IN
19 CENTERS AND FAMILY CHILDCARE HOMES, AN ENVIRONMENT THAT
20 SUPPORTS OUR FAMILIES NEEDS. THE GOVERNOR'S PROPOSAL IS ILL
21 CONCEIVED, SHOWS NO REAL UNDERSTANDING OF HOW THE CURRENT
22 SYSTEM WORKS. IT WILL COST MORE MONEY AND WILL NOT EVEN MEET
23 THE GOALS, THE WORKING PARTICIPATION RATES, WHICH HE CLAIMS TO
24 BE THE SOLE DRIVING FORCE. THE GOVERNOR'S SYSTEM WILL
25 SHORTCHANGE OUR CHILDREN, CONTRIBUTE TO THE LOCAL AND STATE



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1 UNEMPLOYMENT AND CREATE MASS CHAOS FOR LOW INCOME FAMILIES AND
2 THE CHILDCARE PROVIDERS. I RESPECTFULLY REQUEST THAT YOU
3 OPPOSE THE GOVERNOR'S PROPOSAL, AND I LOOK FORWARD TO WORKING
4 WITH YOU ON A BETTER SOLUTION FOR CHILD DEVELOPMENT PROGRAMS.

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6 **SUP. YAROSLAVSKY, CHAIRMAN:** THANK YOU VERY MUCH. [APPLAUSE.]
7 JACQUELYN MCCROSKEY.

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9 **JACQUELYN MCCROSKEY:** GOOD MORNING. I'M HERE TODAY AS THE
10 CHAIRMAN OF THE POLICY ROUND TABLE FOR CHILDCARE. POLICY ROUND
11 TABLE HAS BEEN WORKING VERY CLOSELY WITH THE DEPARTMENT OF
12 PUBLIC SOCIAL SERVICES AND THE C.E.O. IN RESPONSE TO THE
13 GOVERNOR'S PROPOSALS. AND I'M HERE TO SUPPORT THE MOTION AND
14 TO THANK SUPERVISOR RIDLEY-THOMAS FOR BRINGING IT. A RECENT
15 ANALYSIS THAT WAS DONE UNDER FIRST FIVE L.A.'S DATA
16 PARTNERSHIP WITH A NUMBER OF PARTNERS IDENTIFIED THE LOSSES
17 WE'VE ALREADY EXPERIENCED IN LICENSED CHILDCARE SPACES IN OUR
18 COUNTY BETWEEN 2008 AND 2011. BUT IN THAT TIME PERIOD, DUE TO
19 THE RECESSION AND SOME CUTS OF SUBSIDIZED CHILDCARE SLOTS, WE
20 LOST OVER 22,000 LICENSED SPACES, WITH PARTICULAR IMPACTS IN
21 SOUTH COUNTY, THE ANTELOPE VALLEY AND SOME OTHER COMMUNITIES
22 THROUGHOUT THE COUNTY, INCLUDING WHITTIER AND POMONA. SO AS OF
23 2011, WE HAD VERY FEW SPACES, LICENSED SPACES FOR YOUNG
24 CHILDREN UNDER THE AGE OF THREE. THE NUMBERS ARE ABOUT 29,000
25 SPACES FOR 211,000 YOUNG CHILDREN UNDER THE AGE OF THREE. YOU



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1 SEE THE DIFFERENCE THERE WITH THE OLDER CHILDREN, THE FOUR AND
2 FIVE-YEAR OLDS. WE HAD ALMOST 170,000 LICENSED SPACES FOR
3 222,000 CHILDREN OF THAT AGE. WE ALSO KNOW THAT THERE ARE
4 ADDITIONAL -- AN ADDITIONAL LOSS AS OUTLINED IN THIS MOTION OF
5 30 PERCENT OF EXISTING SPACES WOULD BE AS DEVASTATING TO OUR
6 LOCAL EARLY CARE AND EDUCATION SYSTEM AS THE PREVIOUS SPEAKERS
7 HAVE MENTIONED. IT WOULD BE EXTREMELY DEVASTATING. BECAUSE IN
8 ADDITION TO THE GOVERNOR'S PROPOSALS, THERE ARE LOSSES IN
9 OTHER FUNDING STREAMS. SO, FOR EXAMPLE, A NUMBER OF SCHOOL
10 DISTRICTS ARE UNABLE TO USE THEIR HEAD START ALLOCATIONS. WE
11 JUST HEARD A FEW WEEKS AGO THAT THE LONG BEACH SCHOOL
12 DISTRICT, FOR EXAMPLE, IS NO LONGER ABLE TO USE ITS HEAD START
13 ALLOCATION. THAT MEANS 24,000 HEAD START SPACES WILL NOT BE
14 AVAILABLE THROUGH THE LONG BEACH SCHOOL DISTRICT BECAUSE THE
15 SCHOOL DISTRICT IS UNABLE TO PAY THE ADDITIONAL AMOUNT TO KEEP
16 THOSE SPACES OPERATING. IT WAS ABOUT \$250,000 THAT THEY WERE
17 UNABLE TO PAY. SO AS I SAID BEFORE, WE HAVE BEEN WORKING WITH
18 D.P.S.S. AND THE C.E.O., AND WE DO FEEL THAT THE
19 RESPONSIBILITY FOR THESE SERVICES SHOULD REMAIN WITH THE STATE
20 DEPARTMENT OF EDUCATION, BUT THAT THERE IS CONSIDERABLE
21 STREAMLINING THAT COULD OCCUR IN THEIR ADMINISTRATION OF THESE
22 FUNDS THAT WOULD SAVE MONEY AND THAT WOULD MAKE IT MUCH MORE -
23 - MUCH EASIER TO ADMINISTER THE FUNDS FOR LOCAL PROVIDERS, OUR
24 LOCAL VENDORS HERE, AND WOULD MAKE THE SYSTEM MUCH MORE



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1 SENSIBLE OVERALL. SO SOME OF THOSE ARE OUTLINED IN THE MOTION.
2 THANK YOU.

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4 **SUP. YAROSLAVSKY, CHAIRMAN:** THANK YOU. OKAY. THAT CONCLUDES
5 THE PUBLIC HEARING. MR. RIDLEY-THOMAS?

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7 **SUP. RIDLEY-THOMAS:** MR. CHAIRMAN, COLLEAGUES, THE WITNESSES
8 HAVE MADE IT ABUNDANTLY CLEAR WHAT THE PROBLEM IS AND WHAT THE
9 CRISIS IS, AS WELL AS WHAT THE CRISIS WILL BE PURSUANT TO THE
10 GOVERNOR'S CURRENT CONSIDERATION OF THE DISPOSITION OF THIS
11 MATTER. THEY'VE MADE IT CLEAR WHAT THE INVESTMENT HAS TO BE
12 WITH RESPECT TO EARLY CHILDHOOD EDUCATION. AND THEY ALSO MAKE
13 IT CLEAR AS TO WHAT THE PAYOFFS ARE. IN OTHER WORDS, WHAT THE
14 BENEFITS ARE. IT IS NOT AN OVERSTATEMENT TO THINK IN TERMS OF
15 THESE PROPOSED CUTS BEING DRASTIC. I FOR ONE AM NOT PERSUADED
16 THAT THERE AREN'T ALTERNATIVES TO BE CONSIDERED. THE GOOD NEWS
17 IS THAT THIS BOARD HAS TYPICALLY STOOD RESOLUTE WITH RESPECT
18 TO THE UPSHOT OF WHAT'S BEING PROPOSED. IN THE REMARKS OF THE
19 WITNESSES THAT WE HEARD, THE C.E.O.'S REPORT MAKES IT CLEAR
20 THAT THAT WHICH IS BEFORE US IS CONSISTENT WITH EXISTING BOARD
21 POLICY TO SUPPORT EFFORTS THAT ADEQUATELY FUND HIGHLY -- HIGH
22 QUALITY EARLY CHILDHOOD EDUCATION SERVICES FOR CHILDREN WHO
23 ARE IN FACT DESERVING, AND TO STREAMLINE APPROPRIATE
24 ADMINISTRATIVE PROCESSES TO EXPAND SUCH ACCESS. THAT'S
25 ESSENTIALLY WHAT IS BEFORE US. IT IS THE RIGHT THING AT THE



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1 RIGHT TIME. AND IT SEEMS TO ME THAT WE OUGHT TO LEND OUR
2 VOICES ON THIS ISSUE THAT IS IN OUR BEST INTEREST AND IN THE
3 BEST INTEREST OF CHILDREN TODAY AND THOSE OF FUTURE
4 GENERATIONS. I RESPECTFULLY REQUEST YOUR AYE VOTE ON THE
5 MATTER.

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7 **SUP. YAROSLAVSKY, CHAIRMAN:** OKAY. IS THERE ANY OTHER
8 DISCUSSION? SECONDED BY KNABE. WITHOUT OBJECTION, UNANIMOUS
9 VOTE. LET'S TAKE UP ITEM 32-B. CHARLES SMITH?

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11 **SUP. RIDLEY-THOMAS:** THANK YOU, MR. CHAIRMAN.

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13 **SUP. YAROSLAVSKY, CHAIRMAN:** YOU'RE WELCOME. CHARLES SMITH?
14 THERE WERE PEOPLE WHO WANTED TO BE HEARD. ERIC BATCH AND SUE
15 PADERNACHT? MR. SMITH? WHY DON'T YOU GO AHEAD?

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17 **CHARLES SMITH:** GOOD MORNING. HONORABLE MEMBERS OF THE BOARD,
18 MY NAME IS CHARLIE SMITH, AND I AM A PRACTICING ATTORNEY HERE
19 IN LOS ANGELES. AND I'M ALSO THE FORMER CHAIR OF THE AMERICAN
20 CANCER SOCIETY FOR THE CALIFORNIA BOARD, A VOLUNTEER CHAIR.
21 I'M HERE TODAY ON BEHALF OF THE AMERICAN CANCER SOCIETY TO
22 THANK THE BOARD OF SUPERVISORS FOR ITS STRONG SUPPORT OF PROP
23 29. THE PASSAGE OF PROP 29 IS VERY IMPORTANT TO THE AMERICAN
24 CANCER SOCIETY BECAUSE WE KNOW THAT IT WILL SAVE LIVES, KEEP
25 KIDS FROM SMOKING, AND FUND CANCER RESEARCH. DESPITE



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1 ADVANCEMENTS IN TREATMENT AND PREVENTION, NEARLY 1 OUT OF
2 EVERY 2 CALIFORNIANS BORN TODAY WILL DEVELOP CANCER. AND OF
3 THEM, 1 IN 5 WILL DIE FROM IT. THE AMERICAN CANCER SOCIETY,
4 THE AMERICAN HEART ASSOCIATION, WESTERN STATES ALLIANCE AND
5 AMERICAN LUNG ASSOCIATION IN CALIFORNIA WROTE THIS MEASURE
6 BECAUSE CANCER HAS TOUCHED EVERY FAMILY IN OUR STATE.
7 CALIFORNIA SCIENTISTS ARE AT THE FOREFRONT OF THE FIGHT
8 AGAINST CANCER AND OTHER DEADLY DISEASES. THIS NEW \$1 PER PACK
9 TAX ON CIGARETTES IS PAID ONLY BY THOSE WHO SMOKE. IT WILL
10 GENERATE MORE THAN \$500 MILLION EVERY YEAR TO SUPPORT
11 LIFESAVING RESEARCH IN THE DETECTION, TREATMENT, PREVENTION
12 AND CURE OF CANCER, HEART DISEASE AND OTHER SMOKING-RELATED
13 ILLNESSES AS WELL AS PROVIDE MORE THAN \$180 MILLION TO THE
14 STATE'S EXISTING TOBACCO EDUCATION CONTROL PROGRAMS. AND YOU
15 DON'T HAVE TO JUST BELIEVE US ABOUT THE GOOD THINGS THAT THIS
16 WILL DO. CALIFORNIA'S OWN DEPARTMENT OF HEALTH RELEASED A
17 REPORT STATING THAT PASSING PROP 29 WILL SAVE OVER 100,000
18 LIVES AND KEEP OVER 200,000 KIDS FROM SMOKING. SO, THE OTHER
19 THING THAT I WANTED TO MENTION IS WE KNOW THAT THE MONEY IS
20 GOING TO BE SPENT IN CALIFORNIA. THE STATEMENT OF PURPOSE OF
21 THIS MEASURE IS THAT THE GRANTS AND LOANS WILL BE FOR RESEARCH
22 IN CALIFORNIA, THAT IT WILL CREATE AND EQUIP CALIFORNIA
23 RESEARCH FACILITIES, AND THAT THE EFFORTS TO REDUCE TOBACCO
24 ARE FOR CALIFORNIA. FINALLY, I'D JUST LIKE TO SAY THAT WE KNOW
25 THAT VOTER SUPPORT OF PROP 29 IN LOS ANGELES COUNTY IS CRUCIAL



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1 TO THE PASSAGE OF PROP 29. AND I JUST WANT TO HEARTILY THANK
2 THIS BOARD ON BEHALF OF THE AMERICAN CANCER SOCIETY FOR ITS
3 GREAT LEADERSHIP IN ITS SUPPORTING THIS LIFESAVING MEASURE.
4 THANK YOU.

5

6 **SUP. YAROSLAVSKY, CHAIRMAN:** THANK YOU. NEXT IS ERIC BATCH?

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8 **ERIC BATCH:** THANK YOU SO MUCH. I WANT TO SAY THANK YOU,
9 SUPERVISOR YAROSLAVSKY, SUPERVISOR MOLINA, FOR YOUR JOINT
10 MOTION AND SUPERVISOR RIDLEY-THOMAS FOR YOUR LONG-STANDING
11 SUPPORT OF ANTI-TOBACCO EFFORTS AS WELL AS YOUR YES VOTE THIS
12 MORNING. I'VE SERVED IN MY ROLE AS VICE PRESIDENT OF ADVOCACY
13 FOR THE AMERICAN HEART ASSOCIATION FOR THE PAST EIGHT YEARS.
14 DURING THOSE EIGHT YEARS, I'VE HAD THE OPPORTUNITY TO COME
15 BEFORE THIS BODY TO ADVOCATE ON A NUMBER OF ISSUES RELATED TO
16 THE REDUCTION OF HEART DISEASE AND STROKE IN L.A. COUNTY. BUT
17 I DON'T KNOW THAT I'VE EVER HAD THE OPPORTUNITY TO TALK ABOUT
18 SOMETHING MORE SIGNIFICANT THAN PROP 29. ON JUNE 5, WE HAVE
19 THE OPPORTUNITY TO IMPACT THE LIVES OF OVER 100,000 PEOPLE.
20 THESE ARE PEOPLE WHO ARE ALIVE RIGHT NOW, HALF OF THEM LIVING
21 RIGHT HERE IN L.A. COUNTY. I'M OFTEN ASKED WHY I CHOSE TO WORK
22 FOR THE AMERICAN HEART ASSOCIATION. MY ANSWER IS SIMPLE: AT
23 THE AGE OF 15, I WATCHED MY GRANDFATHER, ONE OF MY HEROES, DIE
24 FROM A TOBACCO-RELATED DEATH. HE WAS A TWO-PACK-A-DAY SMOKER
25 AND AT THE TENDER AGE OF 15, I SAID THAT IF I EVER GOT THE



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1 OPPORTUNITY TO DO SOMETHING THAT WOULD PREVENT ANOTHER PERSON
2 FROM WATCHING A LOVED ONE DIE SUCH A PAINFUL DEATH, I WOULD DO
3 IT. AND TODAY IS MY CHANCE. PROP 29 WILL PREVENT 228,000 KIDS
4 FROM EVER PICKING UP A CIGARETTE. I'M A DAD. I HAVE TWO
5 DAUGHTERS. 90 PERCENT OF SMOKERS START AS KIDS. AND ANYTHING
6 THAT I CAN DO TO MAKE SURE THAT KIDS NEVER PICK UP THAT FIRST
7 CIGARETTE IS SOMETHING THAT I'M FOR. NOW, YOU'RE GOING THE
8 HEAR A LOT FROM IF NO SIDE AND THE MEDIA. THEY'RE GOING TO
9 TELL YOU THAT PROP 29 CREATES MORE BUREAUCRACY. IT DOESN'T.
10 THE PROP 29 BOARD WILL CONSIST OF NINE PEOPLE. THESE ARE NINE
11 PEOPLE WHO KNOW EXACTLY WHAT THEY'RE DOING. THEY'RE
12 CALIFORNIA'S LEADING RESEARCH ORGANIZATIONS, INCLUDING CANCER
13 RESEARCH DOCTORS AND U.C. CHANCELLORS. THEY'RE GOING TO TELL
14 YOU THAT THE MONEY WILL GO OUT OF STATE. IT WON'T. THE WORD
15 CALIFORNIA IS WRITTEN 35 TIMES IN THE INITIATIVE. THE
16 INITIATIVE EXPLICITLY STATES THAT THE PURPOSE OF THE MONEY IS
17 TO BE SPENT IN CALIFORNIA AT CALIFORNIA RESEARCH INSTITUTIONS,
18 FINDING CURES FOR CANCER IN CALIFORNIA. THEY WILL TELL YOU
19 THAT WE CAN'T AFFORD MORE TAXES. I WOULD SUBMIT TO YOU THAT
20 WHAT WE REALLY CAN'T AFFORD IS THE \$9 BILLION THAT SMOKING
21 COSTS CALIFORNIA. AND THE BEAUTY OF PROP 29 IS THAT IF YOU
22 DON'T SMOKE, YOU WILL NEVER PAY THIS TAX. THE ENTIRE COST WILL
23 BE BORNE BY THE BENEFICIARIES, THE SMOKERS MOST LIKELY TO GET
24 CANCER. AND THE MONEY THAT THEY PAY WILL GO TO FUND RESEARCH,
25 FIND CURES AND FUND CESSATION PROGRAMS TO HELP THEM QUIT. I



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1 CALL THAT A USERS FEE. IN CLOSING, I WOULD JUST LIKE TO THANK
2 YOU FOR YOUR TIME TODAY AND FOR YOUR SUPPORT OF THIS
3 LIFESAVING MEASURE. YOUR ENDORSEMENT OF PROP 29 WILL SAVE
4 LIVES, KEEP KIDS FROM SMOKING AND SUPPORT CANCER AND OTHER
5 TOBACCO-RELATED DISEASE RESEARCH. THANK YOU. [APPLAUSE.]

6

7 **SUP. YAROSLAVSKY, CHAIRMAN:** THANK YOU. CAN I JUST ASK THAT THE
8 AUDIENCE NOT APPLAUD? IF YOU WANT THE SHOW YOUR APPRECIATION,
9 JUST RAISE YOUR HANDS. THANK YOU. THOSE ARE THE RULES OF THE
10 BOARD. SUE PADERNACHT?

11

12 **SUE PADERNACHT:** I THINK I CAN STILL SAY GOOD MORNING. GOOD
13 MORNING, MY NAME IS SUE PADERNACHT, I'M A MANAGEMENT
14 CONSULTANT AND A BUSINESS PROFESSOR WITH THE UNIVERSITY OF
15 CALIFORNIA. I'M HERE TODAY, I'M MOST PROUD TO BE A MEMBER OF
16 THE LEADERSHIP BOARDS FOR BOTH THE AMERICAN LUNG ASSOCIATION
17 AND THE AMERICAN CANCER SOCIETY HERE IN L.A. AND I'M ON THE
18 STATE BOARD OF THE AMERICAN LUNG ASSOCIATION. THANK YOU SO
19 MUCH FOR YOUR SUPPORT OF PROP 29. LET ME JUST GIVE YOU A
20 DIFFERENT PERSPECTIVE FROM THE LUNG ASSOCIATION. IN MY HANDS
21 IS THE 2012 STATE OF TOBACCO CONTROL REPORT THAT WE WOULD BE
22 HAPPY TO SHARE WITH YOU AT A LATER TIME. WHAT THIS REPORT DID
23 WAS GRADE STATES, COUNTIES AND CITIES ON THEIR TOBACCO CONTROL
24 POLICIES. CALIFORNIA DID POORLY. AND WE DID POORLY DESPITE OUR
25 HISTORIC LEADERSHIP IN SMOKE-FREE AIR LAWS. AND THE REASON FOR



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1 THIS IS THAT WE RANK 33RD, YES, 33RD IN THE NATION AND D.C. IN
2 CIGARETTE TAXATION AT 87 CENTS A PACK. THIRTY-THIRD. ARIZONA,
3 UTAH, AND MONTANA GOT HIGHER GRADES, JUST FOR PERSPECTIVE. AND
4 IT'S NO COINCIDENCE THAT STATES FUNDING OF CANCER RESEARCHING
5 AND SMOKING PREVENTION AND CONTROL PROGRAMS FOR CHILDREN AND
6 ADULTS HAVE BEEN SLASHED. SO HERE'S A FACT: EACH YEAR THE
7 TOBACCO INDUSTRY LOSES 36,000 CALIFORNIA CUSTOMERS BECAUSE
8 THEY DIE FROM TOBACCO PRODUCTS. AND IT'S A FACT THAT THEY
9 REPLACE ITS CUSTOMERS BY RECRUITING AND ADDICTING OUR
10 CHILDREN. 34,000 CHILDREN BEGIN SMOKING EACH YEAR IN
11 CALIFORNIA. AND SO FOR THE TOBACCO INDUSTRY, THIS IS SMART
12 BUSINESS. NO ON 29 IS SMART BUSINESS FOR THE TOBACCO INDUSTRY
13 BECAUSE ADDICTION GUARANTEES CUSTOMERS WHICH YIELDS STEADY TOP
14 LINE REVENUE STREAM FOR THEM. SO I REALLY APPRECIATE YOUR
15 SUPPORT FOR THIS. WE KNOW THAT THE TOBACCO INDUSTRY IS THE
16 PRIMARY FUNDER OF THE ADVERTISING FOR THIS. AND THEY REALLY
17 ARE TRYING TO STRATEGICALLY TRICK CALIFORNIANS INTO VOTING NO.
18 IT IS A FACT THAT RAISING THE COST OF A PACK OF CIGARETTES BY
19 A DOLLAR, WHICH BY THE WAY WILL STILL KEEP US IN THE BOTTOM
20 THIRD IN THE UNITED STATES, WILL SAVE 104,000 LIVES A YEAR,
21 STOP OVER 200,000 KIDS FROM SMOKING AND KEEP US -- ENABLE US
22 TO FIND A CURE FOR CANCER. I'VE LOST MY MOTHER TO CANCER. I'VE
23 LOST FRIENDS TO CANCER. I HAVE A STRONG PASSION ABOUT THIS. MY
24 FATHER HAS EMPHYSEMA FROM TOBACCO ADDICTION. SO THANK YOU FOR
25 YOUR SUPPORT, FOR PROP 29. I REALLY APPRECIATE IT. THANK YOU.



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2 **SUP. YAROSLAVSKY, CHAIRMAN:** THANK YOU. THAT CLOSES THE PUBLIC
3 HEARING. I'LL MOVE IT. SUPERVISOR MOLINA SECONDS. SUPERVISOR
4 KNABE AND ANTONOVICH VOTING NO. THE ITEM IS APPROVED 3-2.
5 THANK YOU. MR. RIDLEY-THOMAS, YOU HAD ONE OTHER ITEM YOU
6 WANTED TO DEAL WITH? MARK? YOU'RE UP.

7

8 **SUP. RIDLEY-THOMAS:** THANK YOU VERY MUCH MR. CHAIRMAN. PERMIT
9 ME TO READ IN A MOTION AND WITH YOUR PERMISSION, THERE ARE
10 PERSONS WHO MAY BE INCLINED TO SPEAK TO THIS. THEY ARE LISTED
11 ON THE PUBLIC COMMENT BUT WITH THE CHAIR'S CONSIDERATION. THIS
12 IS A MATTER THAT DEALS WITH THE IN-HOME SUPPORT SERVICES
13 "THERE ARE OVER 140,000 IN-HOME SUPPORT SERVICE PROVIDERS IN
14 THE COUNTY OF LOS ANGELES. THESE PROVIDERS CARE FOR DISABLED
15 AND ELDERLY RESIDENTS IN THE COUNTY AND ENABLES SERVICE
16 CONSUMERS TO LIVE SAFELY AND RECEIVE CARE IN THEIR HOMES AND
17 COMMUNITIES. I.H.S.S. SERVICE PROVIDERS EARN CURRENTLY \$9 AN
18 HOUR AND HAVE NOT RECEIVED A WAGE INCREASE SINCE 2007.
19 FURTHERMORE, IN FEBRUARY OF 2011, I.H.S.S. CONSUMERS AND
20 PROVIDERS RECEIVED A 3.6 PERCENT CURTAILMENT IN THEIR HOURS AS
21 A RESULT OF THE STATE BUDGET ACTIONS. THE GOVERNOR'S MAY
22 REVISE PROPOSES EVEN FURTHER CURTAILMENTS TO I.H.S.S. HOURS
23 AND SERVICES. STUDIES HAVE SHOWN THAT AS WAGES AND BENEFITS
24 ARE INCREASED, I.H.S.S. WORKER RETENTION AND QUALITY OF CARE
25 INCREASES. I REPEAT. QUALITY OF CARE INCREASES. IT IS



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1 IMPORTANT THAT THESE WORKERS WHO CARE FOR SOME OF THE MOST
2 VULNERABLE MEMBERS OF OUR COMMUNITIES EARN AT LEAST A LIVING
3 WAGE. THE COMMUNITY FIRST CHOICE OPTION CURRENTLY PENDING BY
4 THE FEDERAL GOVERNMENT OFFERS A POTENTIAL FUNDING SOURCE FOR A
5 WAGE INCREASE FOR I.H.S.S. PROVIDERS. IF APPROVED, THE
6 C.F.C.O. WOULD INCREASE THE RATE THAT THE FEDERAL GOVERNMENT
7 WOULD MATCH STATES FOR HOME AND COMMUNITY-BASED SERVICES SUCH
8 AS I.H.S.S. AND ALLOW AN INCREASE TO BE FUNDED WITHOUT
9 IMPACTING THE COUNTY'S GENERAL FUND. SO WE THEREFORE MOVE THAT
10 THE BOARD OF SUPERVISORS INSTRUCT THE C.E.O. TO, ONE,
11 APPROPRIATE 31.5 MILLION IN THE DEPARTMENT OF PUBLIC SOCIAL
12 SERVICE'S FISCAL YEAR 2012-13 BUDGET TO ALLOW THE PERSONAL
13 ASSISTANT SERVICES COUNCIL TO NEGOTIATE AN INCREASE OF
14 I.H.S.S. PROVIDER WAGES UP TO \$9.6 PER HOUR WITH A TARGET
15 EFFECTIVE DATE OF JULY 1 OF 2012, OR 30 DAYS AFTER THE
16 C.F.C.O. HAS BEEN APPROVED BY THE CENTERS FOR MEDICARE AND
17 MEDICAID SERVICES. TWO, APPROPRIATE THESE FUNDS CONTINGENT
18 UPON APPROVAL BY THE STATE OF CALIFORNIA TO INCREASE ITS
19 PARTICIPATION RATE, THE APPROVAL OF THE COMMUNITY FIRST CHOICE
20 OPTION BY C.M.S. AND OTHER FACTORS THAT MAY IMPACT THE STATE'S
21 PARTICIPATION RATE. AND WE MAKE THE SPECIFIC POINT, THE STATE
22 AND FEDERAL APPROVALS RESULT IN LESS THAN 21.5 MILLION IN
23 SAVINGS TO THE COUNTY, APPROPRIATE THE LESSER AMOUNT IN THE
24 D.P.S.S. BUDGET TO ALLOW FOR THE NEGOTIATION OF A COMPENSATION
25 PACKAGE BASED ON FUNDING AVAILABILITY. AND, FINALLY, ABSENT



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1 THESE APPROVALS, THE 21 .5 MILLION IN FUNDING WOULD REVERT TO
2 THE COUNTY'S GENERAL FUND." I READ THAT AND SUBMIT IT ON
3 BEHALF OF SUPERVISOR YAROSLAVSKY AND MYSELF. WE PUT THIS
4 FORWARD AS A READ-IN. WE RECOGNIZE THAT THE MATTER WILL TAKEN
5 UP IN A FUTURE MEETING. BUT AS DELIBERATIONS AND CONVERSATIONS
6 ARE OCCURRING CURRENTLY, I WISH IT TO BE APPRECIATED THAT THE
7 COUNTY OF LOS ANGELES WANTS TO MAKE SURE THAT ITS SENIORS, THE
8 ELDERLY WHO ARE BEING CARED FOR BY I.H.S.S.-RELATED HOME CARE
9 WORKERS GET THE MAXIMUM CONSIDERATION THAT CAN BE AFFORDED. IT
10 SEEMS TO ME THAT'S A MATTER OF JUSTICE AND THAT'S A MATTER OF
11 WHAT WE OUGHT TO DO. SO I THANK YOU FOR YOUR CONSIDERATION,
12 MR. CHAIRMAN, AND WOULD ASK, THEN, THAT WE ALLOW THOSE WHO
13 WISH TO BE HEARD SUCH AN OPPORTUNITY.

14

15 **SUP. KNABE:** IS THIS NOT BEFORE US TODAY?

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17 **SUP. YAROSLAVSKY, CHAIRMAN:** NOT BEFORE US TODAY. AND IF THEY
18 WANT TO SPEAK, THEY CAN SPEAK UNDER PUBLIC COMMENT BUT NOT ON
19 THIS ITEM BECAUSE THIS WILL BE ON THE AGENDA NEXT WEEK. SO
20 THAT WILL BE HELD OVER FOR NEXT WEEK.

21

22 **SUP. KNABE:** NEXT WE CAN OR JUNE 25, I'M HEARING MIXED SIGNALS?

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24 **SUP. YAROSLAVSKY, CHAIRMAN:** I'M SORRY. DID YOU SAY FOR JUNE
25 25?



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2 **SUP. KNABE:** FOR BUDGET DELIBERATION.

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4 **SUP. YAROSLAVSKY, CHAIRMAN:** SO YOU'RE PUTTING IT ON FOR JUNE
5 25, OKAY. SO THAT'S FINE. THANKS FOR THAT CLARIFICATION. I
6 DIDN'T HEAR THAT. MEMBERS OF THE PUBLIC WHO WANTED TO SPEAK ON
7 THIS CAN SPEAK UNDER PUBLIC COMMENT. MY RECOMMENDATION WILL BE
8 TO BE HERE ON JUNE 25 WHEN THE ITEM IS BEFORE US BECAUSE
9 THERE'S NOT GOING TO BE ANY ACTION TAKEN ON IT TODAY. ALL
10 RIGHT. NEXT ITEM. I DON'T HAVE ANY ADJOURNING MOTIONS. WE HAVE
11 ITEM NO. 14, STEVE LAMB ASKED TO BE HEARD ON THIS? THIS ITEM
12 HAS BEEN REQUESTED BY SUPERVISOR KNABE TO BE CONTINUED FOR TWO
13 WEEKS.

14

15 **STEVEN LAMB:** GOOD AFTERNOON, SUPERVISORS. MY NAME IS STEVE
16 LAMB. I LIVE IN THE FIFTH DISTRICT. AS YOU'RE CONSIDERING THIS
17 REVISION TO THE LOBBYIST ACT, I'D LIKE YOU TO CONSIDER THE
18 UNINTENDED CONSEQUENCES. RECENTLY A CITY NEAR ME, SAN MARINO,
19 HAD THE MAJORITY OF THEIR PROPERTY OWNERS' PROPERTY TAXES
20 RAISED. THE SAN MARINO CITY COUNCIL ACTED AS A BODY AND WENT
21 TO THE ASSESSOR TO HAVE THEIR TAXES REDUCED BACK TO THE
22 CORRECT RATE. IF THEY DID THIS UNDER THE CURRENT -- IF THEY
23 DID THIS AND HAD TO REGISTER AS LOBBYISTS, THEY WOULD HAVE TO
24 GIVE UP THEIR OFFICE IN ORDER TO DO THAT. THEY WOULD NOT
25 LEGALLY BE ALLOWED TO BOTH HOLD THEIR OFFICE AND HAVE TO



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1 REGISTER AS LOBBYISTS. ALSO, RIGHT NOW, PEOPLE WHO HIRE TAX
2 CONSULTANTS DO SO ON A BASIS WHERE THEY'RE ALLOWED TO BE PAID
3 CONTINGENT. LOBBYISTS CANNOT BE PAID CONTINGENT. SO WHAT THIS
4 MEANS IS THAT PEOPLE WHO DO NOT HAVE \$500 AN HOUR TO PAY A
5 LOBBYIST UP FRONT WILL NOT BE ABLE TO AFFORD TO PROTEST THEIR
6 TAX BILLS, IF THEIR TAX BILLS ARE ILLEGITIMATE. AND I'D ALSO
7 LIKE TO SUGGEST THAT CURRENTLY LOBBYISTS REGISTER AT THE
8 COUNTY, AT THE CITY, AT THE STATE AND AT THE FEDERAL LEVEL.
9 AND THIS DOES NOT KEEP THEM FROM GIVING CAMPAIGN CONTRIBUTIONS
10 IN A WAY THAT WAS USED BY MR. NOGUEZ. IN OTHER WORDS, THEY CAN
11 STILL BUNDLE, EVEN UNDER THIS REGULATION, CAMPAIGN
12 CONTRIBUTIONS. THEY CAN STILL CAUSE OTHER PEOPLE TO MAKE
13 CAMPAIGN CONTRIBUTIONS. AND THIS IS NOT GOING TO END
14 CORRUPTION. IT'S JUST GOING TO END THE ABILITY OF THE LOWER
15 CLASS, THE MIDDLE CLASS AND EVEN THE UPPER MIDDLE CLASS TO
16 AFFORD TO PROTEST THEIR TAX BILLS. THANK YOU.

17

18 **SUP. YAROSLAVSKY, CHAIRMAN:** THANK YOU. THE MATTER WILL BE
19 CONTINUED FOR TWO WEEKS. LET ME JUST TAKE THIS OPPORTUNITY TO
20 MAKE A STATEMENT ABOUT THE ASSESSOR SITUATION AS IT RELATES TO
21 A PRESS CONFERENCE THAT WAS HELD THIS MORNING DOWN THE STREET
22 ASKING FOR A REVIEW OF THE ASSESSMENTS. IT'S POSSIBLE THAT THE
23 MEMBERS OF THE CITY COUNCIL WHO HELD THAT PRESS CONFERENCE
24 WERE NOT AWARE THAT THE BOARD OF SUPERVISORS, SEVERAL WEEKS
25 AGO, DIRECTED THE AUDITOR-CONTROLLER TO CONDUCT A



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1 COMPREHENSIVE AUDIT OF EVERY ASPECT OF THE OPERATIONS OF THE
2 ASSESSOR'S OFFICE, INCLUDING EVALUATION PROCESS, NOT JUST IN
3 THE CITY OF LOS ANGELES BUT THROUGHOUT THE COUNTY BECAUSE OF
4 THE CONCERNS THAT WE'VE HAD, GIVEN ALL THE REVELATIONS THAT
5 HAVE COME OUT RECENTLY. THAT AUDIT IS WELL UNDERWAY. THE
6 AUDITOR-CONTROLLER, MS. WATANABE, HAS BEEN PROVIDING THIS
7 BOARD WITH REGULAR UPDATES. AND IT'S GOING TO BE A MATTER OF
8 WEEKS, NOT MONTHS, BEFORE THAT AUDIT IS CONCLUDED. AND WE
9 EXPECT TO HAVE THAT AND WE WILL MAKE IT PUBLIC TO EVERY CITY
10 COUNCIL IN THE COUNTY, ALL 88 CITIES, AS WELL AS THIS BOARD OF
11 SUPERVISORS. SO I KNOW YOU'RE HERE. I JUST THINK WE NEED TO
12 MAKE THAT CLEAR. THIS MAY BE NEWS DOWN THE STREET; IT WASN'T
13 NEWS HERE.

14

15 **SUP. KNABE:** WELL, BUT WE ALSO HAD THE REPORT LAST WEEK FROM
16 THE OUTSIDE CONSULTANT AS IT RELATED TO METHODOLOGY AS WELL,
17 TOO.

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19 **SUP. YAROSLAVSKY, CHAIRMAN:** WE DID. THAT WAS ONE PIECE OF A
20 BROADER AUDIT.

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22 **SUP. KNABE:** RIGHT.

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24 **SUP. YAROSLAVSKY, CHAIRMAN:** AND --

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1 **SUP. RIDLEY-THOMAS:** MR. CHAIRMAN, IT MAY BE APPROPRIATE --

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3 **SUP. YAROSLAVSKY, CHAIRMAN:** MR. RIDLEY-THOMAS.

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5 **SUP. RIDLEY-THOMAS:** THANK YOU. IT MAY BE APPROPRIATE IF IT
6 HASN'T ALREADY BEEN DONE FOR THE APPROPRIATE COUNTY ENTITY TO
7 COMMUNICATE WITH THE RESPECTIVE JURISDICTIONS THAT ARE
8 AFFECTED BY THE ASSESSOR'S DEPARTMENT TO KNOW THAT AN AUDIT IS
9 IN FACT UNDERWAY. YOU'VE ALREADY MADE REFERENCE TO THE FACT
10 THAT IT AFFECTS NOT SIMPLY THE COUNTY OF LOS ANGELES ALONE,
11 THE CITY OF LOS ANGELES ALONE, BUT ALL CITIES WITHIN THE
12 COUNTY AS WELL AS SCHOOL DISTRICTS, ET CETERA. IT MIGHT BE
13 USEFUL FOR THOSE ENTITIES, IF THEY HAVE NOT ALREADY BEEN
14 APPRISED OF IT, TO KNOW THAT ACTION HAS BEEN AND WILL CONTINUE
15 TO BE TAKEN IN THIS REGARD. AND TO THE EXTENT THAT IS THE
16 CASE, THEY SHOULD BE HEREBY SO NOTIFIED.

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18 **SUP. YAROSLAVSKY, CHAIRMAN:** I THINK IT'S AN EXCELLENT IDEA.
19 MR. FUJIOKA, OR MISS HAMAI, EITHER ONE OF YOU, COMMUNICATE
20 THAT TO THE AUDITOR-CONTROLLER AS SOON AS POSSIBLE,
21 COMMUNICATE TO ALL OF THE TAXING ENTITIES THAT SUCH AN AUDIT
22 IS GOING ON. I THINK A NUMBER OF THEM KNOW IT, BUT I'M NOT
23 SURE WE HAVE OFFICIALLY COMMUNICATED THAT AS SUPERVISOR
24 RIDLEY-THOMAS HAS SUGGESTED. I THINK THAT'S AN EXCELLENT
25 SUGGESTION. OKAY? THANK YOU. SO WE HAVE ITEM 14 WILL BE



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1 CONTINUED FOR TWO WEEKS. WITHOUT OBJECTION, SO ORDERED. ITEM
2 23. WE HAVE SEVERAL INDIVIDUALS WHO HAVE ASKED TO BE HEARD ON
3 ITEM 23. DELORIS ZURITA. JANNA ZURITA. SALLIE VALADE. SATRA
4 ZURITA. ROSALIND BUTLER. BURNELL MONTGOMERY AND MARVIN HUNT.
5 ARE THEY ALL THEY ALL HERE? LET'S TAKE THE FIRST FOUR, DELORIS
6 ZURITA, JANNA ZURITA SALLIE VALADE AND SATRA ZURITA. IS THIS
7 23? DELORIS ZURITA, YOU'LL BE UP FIRST.

8

9 **DELORIS ZURITA:** HONORABLE SUPERVISORS, MY NAME IS DELORIS
10 ZURITA, I'M THE DIRECTOR OF DICKISON COMMUNITY LIGHTED
11 SCHOOLS, IT'S A SENIOR NUTRITION PROGRAM, AND I HAVE BEEN
12 SINCE 1972. AND UNFORTUNATELY, THIS YEAR, WHEN OUR PROPOSALS
13 WERE DUE, WE WERE FIVE MINUTES LATE -- THREE MINUTES LATE --
14 TWO MINUTES, THREE MINUTES. AND SO THE DEPARTMENT OF SENIOR
15 SERVICES WOULD NOT ACCEPT IT. SO THAT JUST WAS LIKE SOMEBODY
16 KICKING ME IN THE STOMACH, HAVING DIRECTED THIS PROGRAM SINCE
17 1972. HOWEVER, I RESPECT BEING ON TIME. AND SO THE NEXT DAY I
18 CALLED THE COUNTY AND WAS INQUIRING AS TO WHETHER SOMEONE ELSE
19 HAD SUBMITTED A PROPOSAL TO SERVE OUR SENIORS IN THE CITY OF
20 COMPTON. AND RIGHT AWAY THE GUY WHO I TALKED TO, OH THAT'S
21 OKAY, SOMEBODY ELSE WILL SERVE THAT. AND THAT CAUSED ME PAIN
22 BECAUSE SOMETIMES, YOU KNOW, YOU THINK THAT YOU'RE THE ONLY
23 ONE THAT CAN SERVE YOUR PARENTS OR YOUR FAMILY THE WAY THEY
24 SHOULD BE SERVED. SO THAT WAS IN JANUARY. AND SINCE JANUARY, I
25 HAD BEEN TOLD THAT ANOTHER NONPROFIT WAS GOING TO SERVE OUR



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1 SENIORS IN COMPTON AND THAT THEY WOULD JUST ASSUME OUR STAFF
2 AND THINGS WOULD BE EXACTLY LIKE THEY WERE BEFORE. BUT LAST
3 THURSDAY, THE NONPROFIT THAT'S GOING TO ASSUME SERVING THE
4 SENIORS IN COMPTON CAME IN AND THEY LET US KNOW THAT THEY
5 WOULD NOT BE USING OUR STAFF; THEY WOULD USE THEIR OWN STAFF
6 FROM ANOTHER CITY AND THAT CAUSED ME CONCERN BECAUSE THAT
7 MEANT THAT MY STAFF WHO HAD BE SERVING SENIORS FOR YEARS WOULD
8 NO LONGER HAVE THEIR LITTLE JOBS THERE IN THE CITY OF COMPTON.
9 AND UNEMPLOYMENT IS VERY HIGH IN THE CITY OF COMPTON. THANK
10 YOU. AND I'M JUST ASKING TODAY IF YOU COULD SAVE OUR STAFF FOR
11 OUR SENIORS IN COMPTON. I'M NOT SPEAKING AND BEGGING FOR
12 MYSELF BECAUSE I'M 76 AND I'M GOING TO BE RETIRING. BUT I'M
13 WORKING HARD FOR MY STAFF WHOM I HAVE HAD FOR MANY YEARS.
14 THANK YOU.

15

16 **SUP. YAROSLAVSKY, CHAIRMAN:** THANK YOU. JANNA ZURITA.

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18 **JANNA ZURITA:** HI. THANK YOU, I'M JANNA ZURITA AND TO THE
19 HONORABLE SUPERVISORS. I'M HERE TODAY ON BEHALF OF THE MEALS
20 ON WHEELS SENIOR NUTRITION PROGRAM IN THE CITY OF COMPTON.
21 IT'S BEEN SERVING FOR OVER 30 YEARS IN THE CITY OF COMPTON.
22 AND THE PROPOSAL WAS LATE, BUT WE'RE ASKING TODAY IF WE CAN
23 HAVE MAYBE A YEAR EXTENSION. IT WOULD SAVE THE COUNTY OVER
24 \$100,000 BECAUSE THE CITY OF COMPTON DOES SUBSIDIZE AND WE
25 HAVE OVER \$100,000 IN A GRANT AND WE HAVE OFFICE SPACE. AND



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1 THE AGENCY THAT IS COMING IN TO TAKE OVER IS NOT FROM THE CITY
2 OF COMPTON AND NOT FAMILIAR WITH THE NEEDS, THE SPECIAL NEEDS
3 OF THE SENIORS IN THE CITY OF COMPTON. AND WE'RE ASKING TODAY,
4 ACTUALLY I'M BEGGING THAT DICKISON MEALS ON WHEELS HAS THE
5 OPPORTUNITY TO CONTINUE SERVICE TO THE SENIORS IN THE CITY OF
6 COMPTON AND TO THE EMPLOYEES THAT ARE IN THE PROGRAM. ALL BUT
7 ONE LIVES IN THE CITY OF COMPTON. SO WE HAVE A TIGHT NET.
8 WE'RE CONNECTED. AND WE HAVE WE WORKED FOR SEVERAL YEARS WITH
9 THIS MENU TO PLEASE THE SENIORS IN THE CITY OF COMPTON AND WE
10 SERVE OVER 500 MEALS EVERY DAY AND HAVE BEEN FOR THE LAST 30
11 YEARS. THANK YOU.

12

13 **SUP. YAROSLAVSKY, CHAIRMAN:** THANK YOU. SALLIE VALADE? SALLIE?

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15 **SALLIE VALADE:** SHE WAS HERE. SENIOR SERVICES?

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17 **SUP. YAROSLAVSKY, CHAIRMAN:** I DON'T KNOW. WHO'S NEXT? SATRA?

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19 **SATRA ZURITA:** GOOD AFTERNOON, HONORABLE CHAIR AND THE OTHER
20 MEMBERS OF THE BOARD OF SUPERVISORS. MY NAME IS SATRA ZURITA,
21 AND I'M A MEMBER OF THE GOVERNING BOARD OF TRUSTEES OF THE
22 COMPTON UNIFIED SCHOOL DISTRICT AS WELL AS A LIFETIME RESIDENT
23 OF THE CITY OF COMPTON AND A 35-YEAR VOLUNTEER AT THE MEALS ON
24 WHEELS PROGRAM. I WOULD BE REMISS IF I DID NOT RECOGNIZE YOU
25 ALL FOR THE GREAT WORK HAPPENING IN THE SECOND SUPERVISORY



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1 DISTRICT THAT WOULD NOT HAPPEN WITHOUT ALL OF YOUR SUPPORT.
2 IT'S NOT OFTEN THAT WE HAVE THE OPPORTUNITY TO THANK YOU ALL
3 TOGETHER. I AM RESPECTFULLY ASKING THAT AT BEST YOU EXTEND THE
4 EXISTING FUNDING FOR DICKISON COMMUNITY LIGHTED SCHOOLS, INC.
5 FOR ONE YEAR. THAT WAY THE COUNTY WOULD SAVE AT LEAST \$100,000
6 THIS YEAR. DICKISON HAS ALREADY RECEIVED C.D.B.G. FUNDING IN
7 THE AMOUNT OF \$90,000. AND WITH THE IN-KIND THE CITY PROVIDES,
8 THE COUNTY WOULD SAVE AT LEAST \$100,000 THIS YEAR. IN LIGHT OF
9 STATE BUDGET CUTS AND SCARCE FUNDING FOR ALL PROGRAMS, I'M
10 SURE THE COUNTY COULD USE THAT \$100,000 SOMEWHERE ELSE. THANK
11 YOU FOR YOUR TIME AND THANK YOU FOR THE WORK YOU DO SERVING
12 THE RESIDENTS OF LOS ANGELES COUNTY. AND I'D JUST LIKE TO SAY
13 THAT THIS IS A 42-YEAR PROGRAM THAT'S TAKEN PLACE IN THE CITY
14 OF COMPTON. AND THEY HAVE A SPECIAL GROUP OF SENIORS THAT THEY
15 SERVE WITH A SPECIAL SET OF NEEDS. MOST OF THESE FOLKS DIDN'T
16 HAVE ANY RETIREMENT. AND THEY ARE LIVING ON VERY LOW INCOME.
17 SO ANOTHER PROBLEM IS GETTING DONATIONS. THE DONATIONS ARE NOT
18 REQUIRED. THEY'RE JUST SOMETHING THAT WE HOPE THEY PROVIDE. SO
19 THERE'S NOT A GREAT SOURCE OF INCOME. SO LIKE I SAY, THE
20 COUNTY WOULD SAVE AT LEAST \$100,000, THAT'S THE VERY LEAST
21 THIS YEAR. AND WE ARE JUST ASKING FOR ANY CONSIDERATION THAT
22 YOU MAY BE ABLE TO PROVIDE. BUT WE HAVE A GREAT POPULATION OF
23 SENIORS THAT USE THIS PROGRAM. THANK YOU.

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25 **SUP. YAROSLAVSKY, CHAIRMAN:** THANK YOU. ROSALIND BUTLER.



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2 **ROSALIND BUTLER:** I AM ROSALIND BUTLER.

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4 **SUP. YAROSLAVSKY, CHAIRMAN:** MRS. BUTLER BEFORE YOU START, LET
5 ME ASK IS BURNELL MONTGOMERY HERE? BURNELL MONTGOMERY? NO? IS
6 HE HERE?

7

8 **SPEAKER:** HE'S HERE.

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10 **SUP. YAROSLAVSKY, CHAIRMAN:** DOES HE WANT TO SPEAK?

11

12 **SPEAKER:** AH-HUH, COME ON DOWN BURNELL.

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14 **SUP. YAROSLAVSKY, CHAIRMAN:** AND MARVIN HUNT? OKAY. COME ON.
15 BOTH OF YOU COME ON DOWN. MISS BUTLER? OKAY. GO AHEAD, MRS.
16 BUTLER.

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18 **ROSALIND BUTLER:** ALL RIGHT, THANK YOU. AS I SAY MY NAME IS
19 ROSALIND BUTLER. AND I WAS CARING FOR MY HUSBAND WHO WAS A
20 DIABETIC, DOUBLE AMPUTEE, WHICH BECAME MORE THAN I COULD
21 REALLY DO. SO I WAS VERY THANKFUL THAT I WAS ABLE TO GET HIM
22 ON THE PROGRAM. HE DID PASS AFTER THAT, AND I'M THE ONE THAT'S
23 ON THE PROGRAM NOW. AND I AM REALLY VERY THANKFUL FOR THAT. I
24 WOULD LIKE TO SEE OUR STAFF STAY. AND I WOULD ALSO LIKE TO
25 JUST HELP MAKE YOU UNDERSTAND HOW MUCH IT REALLY MEANS TO KNOW



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1 THAT THAT IS AT LEAST AVAILABLE FOR US. AND I THANK YOU VERY
2 MUCH.

3

4 **SUP. YAROSLAVSKY, CHAIRMAN:** THANK YOU. MR. MONTGOMERY? BURNELL
5 MONTGOMERY?

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7 **BURNELL MONTGOMERY:** YES.

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9 **SUP. YAROSLAVSKY, CHAIRMAN:** DO YOU WANT TO BE HEARD ON THIS
10 ITEM? DO YOU WANT TO SPEAK ON THIS?

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12 **BURNELL MONTGOMERY:** WHAT ARE WE TALKING ABOUT RIGHT NOW?

13

14 **SUP. YAROSLAVSKY, CHAIRMAN:** I THINK YOU SIGNED UP TO SPEAK ON
15 THIS MEALS ON WHEELS ISSUE.

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17 **BURNELL MONTGOMERY:** OH, OKAY. I EAT AT DOLLARHIDE EVERY DAY. I
18 GO TO DOLLARHIDE EVERY DAY WITH MY FATHER. AND IT'LL SERVE ME
19 IF I COULD EAT EVERY DAY AND GO TO DOLLARHIDE EVERY DAY AND
20 GET SERVED. AND THAT'S IT. THANK YOU.

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22 **SUP. YAROSLAVSKY, CHAIRMAN:** THANK YOU. MARVIN HUNT?

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24 **MARVIN HUNT:** GOOD AFTERNOON, HONORABLE CHAIRPERSON AND BOARD
25 OF SUPERVISORS. MY NAME IS MARVIN HUNT AND I AM THE INTERIM



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1 DIRECTOR OF PARKS AND RECREATION FOR THE CITY OF COMPTON AS
2 WELL AS WE SERVE AS THE DIRECTOR OF THE DOLLARHIDE SENIOR
3 CENTER. MOST RECENTLY I RECEIVED SEVERAL PHONE CALLS FROM SOME
4 OF OUR CONCERNED SENIORS IN REGARDS TO THE LOSS OF THE MEALS
5 ON WHEELS PROGRAM, WHICH IS DICKISON LIGHTED SCHOOLS. THEY
6 WERE UPSET WITH SOME OF THE INFORMATION THAT THEY WERE GIVEN
7 OVER THE LAST FEW DAYS AND WHICH PROMPTED THEM TO ADDRESS
8 THOSE CONCERNS TO ME TO SEE IF I CAN FORWARD THEM OVER TO YOU.
9 AS YOU MAY KNOW, PROGRAMS LIKE THIS, THEY NOT ONLY SERVE A
10 FUNCTION TO SERVE MEALS TO OUR SENIORS BUT THEY ALSO HELP OUR
11 SENIORS DEVELOP TRUST WITHIN THEIR COMMUNITY. A LOT OF OUR
12 SENIORS ARE VERY -- HAVE VERY GREAT RELATIONSHIPS WITH
13 DICKISON LIGHTED FOODS. THEY HAVE BEEN KNOWING THIS PROGRAM
14 FOR MOST OF THEIR SENIOR LIFE. THEY'VE INVITED A LOT OF THEIR
15 STAFF INTO THEIR HOMES. AND THEY TRUST THE STAFF TO COME INTO
16 THEIR HOMES AND PREPARE THEIR MEALS, WHICH TO SOME ARE THE
17 ONLY MEALS THEY RECEIVE EVERY DAY. WE HAVE ANOTHER PROGRAM AT
18 DOLLARHIDE NEIGHBORHOOD SENIOR CENTER TODAY WHICH DID ALLOW
19 EVERYONE TO COME DOWN. BUT THEY WERE VERY, VERY CONCERNED
20 ABOUT LOSING A GREAT PROGRAM LIKE DICKISON LIGHTED FOOD IN OUR
21 COMMUNITY. AND THEY WANTED ME TO RELAY THAT INFORMATION AND
22 THEIR CONCERNS TO THE BOARD. MY POSITION AS THE DIRECTOR OF
23 DOLLARHIDE SENIOR CENTER IS NOT ONLY TO LOOK AFTER OUR SENIOR
24 NEEDS, BUT IT'S ALSO TO RELAY THEIR INTENTIONS AND THEIR
25 MESSAGES TO THOSE THAT MIGHT HAVE SOME TYPE OF CONCERN AND



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1 SOME TYPE OF POWER TO PROTECT THEIR NEEDS, PROTECT THEIR
2 CONCERNS. AND THAT'S WHY WE'RE HERE TODAY. SOME OF OUR SENIORS
3 ARE VERY UPSET. SOME OF OUR SENIORS ARE VERY CONCERNED. IT'S
4 NOT SAYING THAT THEY DON'T UNDERSTAND THAT THE SERVICES ARE
5 STILL GOING TO BE PROVIDED, BUT THEY'RE JUST VERY CONCERNED
6 THAT THE SERVICE IS NOT GOING TO BE PROVIDED THE WAY THEY HAVE
7 BEEN USED TO THAT SERVICE BEING PROVIDED. SO ANYTHING THAT YOU
8 CAN DO TO CONSIDER EITHER EXTENDING THEIR CONTRACT OR EVEN
9 JUST ALLOWING THEM TO MAINTAIN THE LEVEL OF SERVICE TO OUR
10 COMMUNITY WOULD BE GREATLY APPRECIATED. THANK YOU, BOARD.

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12 **SUP. YAROSLAVSKY, CHAIRMAN:** THANK YOU. ALL RIGHT. IS THERE --
13 OH, I'M SORRY. SALLIE? IS IT VALADE?

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15 **SALLIE VALADE:** VALADE. THANK YOU, HONORABLE STAFF. I WOULD
16 LIKE TO SAY THANKS FOR LISTENING TO US AND HAVING US HERE. I
17 AM A PROUD, PROUD RESIDENT OF COMPTON AND ALSO A RECIPIENT OF
18 THE MEALS ON WHEELS PROGRAM OF NUTRITION. I HAVE TWO
19 DISABILITIES, ONE IS LEGAL BLINDNESS AND A SPINAL INJURY. BUT
20 I WOULD LIKE TO SAY THIS. I HOPE THAT YOU WOULD CONSIDER
21 KEEPING OUR STAFF THAT WE HAVE. I MET THE STAFF BACK IN THE
22 '60S I MOVED TO COMPTON LIKE IN 1953. AND THE PERSON THAT I
23 MET THERE WAS ZURITA, DELORIS ZURITA. SHE'S STILL THERE AND
24 SHE HAS SO MUCH PATIENCE WITH US, PLUS THE CONCERN. SHE'S NOT
25 GOOD TO JUST ONE PERSON; SHE'S GOOD TO EVERYBODY. SO WE'LL SAY



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1 THAT IF YOU CAN HELP US TO KEEP THE STAFF WE HAVE, WE'D HIGHLY
2 APPRECIATE IT. THANK YOU FOR LISTENING TO OUR CONCERNS.

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4 **SUP. YAROSLAVSKY, CHAIRMAN:** THANK YOU. IS THERE ANY DISCUSSION
5 ON THIS ITEM? IF NOT, THE ITEM IS BEFORE US. MOVED BY KNABE.
6 SECONDED BY ANTONOVICH. WITHOUT OBJECTION, UNANIMOUS VOTE. DON
7 KNABE, YOU'RE UP NEXT.

8

9 **SUP. KNABE:** THANK YOU, MR. CHAIRMAN. SEVERAL ADJOURNMENTS.
10 FIRST OF ALL, THIS WILL BE ALL MEMBERS, THAT WE ADJOURN IN
11 MEMORY OF ALAN THOMAS, ONE OF OUR METRO BUS OPERATORS, WHO WAS
12 TRAGICALLY SHOT AND KILLED ON SUNDAY MORNING AT THE AGE OF 51.
13 FOR THE LAST FIVE YEARS HE LOVED WORKING THE DIFFERENT BUS
14 LINES OUT OF METRO DIVISION NO. 2 AND WAS ALWAYS WILLING TO
15 HELP OUT THOSE WHENEVER THE NEED AROSE. HE WILL BE FONDLY
16 REMEMBERED BY ALL WHO KNEW HIM. HE IS SURVIVED BY HIS WIFE,
17 DEBBIE, FIVE CHILDREN AND 10 GRANDCHILDREN. ALSO WE ADJOURN IN
18 MEMORY OF TOM FUENTES, A LONGTIME ORANGE COUNTY REPUBLICAN
19 LEADER WHO PASSED AWAY AFTER A BATTLE WITH CANCER AT THE AGE
20 OF 63. HE WAS SORT OF REMEMBERED AS THE GODFATHER OF THE PARTY
21 OUT IN ORANGE COUNTY, HE WAS THE PRESIDENT OF THE REPUBLICAN
22 CLUB AT CHAPMAN COLLEGE, THEN THE COUNTY SUPERVISOR RON
23 CASPERS HELPED FOUND THE SECOND HARVEST FOOD BANK OF ORANGE
24 COUNTY, SUPPORTED SEVERAL CHARITABLE CAUSES, AND WAS VERY
25 ACTIVE IN HIS CHURCH. HE IS SURVIVED BY HIS WIFE, JOLENE; A



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1 DAUGHTER, MICHELLE; SONS, TOM, JR. AND JOEY; BROTHER, ROBERT;
2 AND SISTER, MARTHA. ALSO WE ADJOURN IN MEMORY OF LONGTIME SAN
3 PEDRO RESIDENT JOSEPH MARDESICH, WHO PASSED AWAY. AND HE'S SON
4 OF THE LATE JOSEPH AND LEE MARDESICH. PASSED AWAY ON APRIL 27
5 AFTER A BRAVE BATTLE AGAINST CANCER. HE WAS BORN IN LONG BEACH
6 BUT CONSIDERED HIMSELF A NATIVE OF SAN PEDRO, WHERE HE AND HIS
7 FAMILY HAVE BEEN IN RESIDENCE FOR NEARLY 100 YEARS. HE WAS A
8 GRADUATE OF STANFORD UNIVERSITY. HE WILL BE REMEMBERED AS A
9 POLITICAL PUNDIT, A PUBLISHED AUTHOR, HIS ADAMANT VIEWS ON
10 HISTORIC PRESERVATION AND ECOLOGY. HE'S SURVIVED BY SISTERS,
11 STEPHANIE AND DEBRA. ALSO WE ADJOURN IN MEMORY OF LONGTIME
12 RESIDENT OF CERRITOS, RENEE PETERSON, WHO WAS A LONGTIME
13 MEMBER OF THE CERRITOS REPUBLICAN CLUB. SURVIVED BY HER
14 BELOVED HUSBAND, FRED. FINALLY, THAT WE ADJOURN IN MEMORY OF
15 BUD WORSHAM, FORMER NEWS EDITOR OF THE "PRESS TELEGRAM," WHO
16 PASSED AWAY AT THE AGE OF 84. HE WORKED FOR THE "PRESS
17 TELEGRAM" AND "INDEPENDENT" COPY EDITOR, NEWS EDITOR, RELIGION
18 EDITOR, AND WAS EDITOR FOR HIS HIGH SCHOOL PAPER, "THE PONY
19 EXPRESS." HE WAS VERY ACTIVE AND SERVED AS AN ELDER FOR THE
20 LONG BEACH CHURCH OF CHRIST. HE IS SURVIVED BY WIFE, DAPHNA;
21 SONS, LARRY, KEVIN, DALE; DAUGHTER, VANESSA, NINE
22 GRANDCHILDREN AND ONE GREAT GRANDCHILD.
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24 **SUP. YAROSLAVSKY, CHAIRMAN:** WITHOUT OBJECTION, UNANIMOUS VOTE.
25 ITEM 19.



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2 **SUP. KNABE:** YEAH, I HELD ITEM 19. MOTION BY SUPERVISOR MOLINA.
3 I HELD IT FOR THE PURPOSE OF THAT I DON'T SUPPORT THE MOTION
4 AS WRITTEN. IT'S PRETTY PRESCRIPTIVE. I HAVE A SUBSTITUTE
5 MOTION SHOULD THIS MOTION NOT PASS. BUT I UNDERSTAND THAT DR.
6 KATZ AND MR. BROWNING ARE AVAILABLE? I HAD A COUPLE OF
7 QUESTIONS FOR THEM.

8

9 **SUP. YAROSLAVSKY, CHAIRMAN:** ARE THEY COMING? WE HAVE ONE
10 MEMBER OF THE PUBLIC THAT ASKED TO BE HEARD ON THIS.

11

12 **SUP. KNABE:** YEAH, SURE.

13

14 **SUP. YAROSLAVSKY, CHAIRMAN:** DAVID GREEN? MR. GREEN? GO AHEAD,
15 MR. GREEN.

16

17 **DAVID GREEN:** THANK YOU. GOOD MORNING, MEMBERS OF THE BOARD, MY
18 NAME IS DAVID GREEN, I'M A CHILDREN'S SOCIAL WORKER WITH
19 D.C.F.S., BEEN A PROUD SOCIAL WORKER FOR YEARS AND ALSO A
20 MEMBER OF S.E.I.U. LOCAL 721. HERE TODAY TO SPEAK ABOUT THE
21 MOTION. THE UNION AND ITS MEMBERS SUPPORT THE MOTION'S
22 INTENTION OF NOT HOUSING CHILDREN AT NON-SHELTER CARE
23 FACILITIES. CURRENTLY THE STATUS QUO WE HAVE RIGHT NOW IS NOT
24 WORKING. AND WE NEED TO LOOK AT SOLUTIONS, WORKING
25 COLLECTIVELY. THE UNION AND ITS MEMBERS SEEK TO KNOW WHAT



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1 OVERHAULING THE E.R.C.P. MEANS. WHEN DOES THE BOARD FORESEE
2 THIS OVERHAULING OF E.R.C.P. HAPPENING? WHO WILL WORK ON
3 OVERHAULING THE E.R.C.P.? THE UNION AND ITS MEMBERS ARE
4 AVAILABLE TO WORK WITH THOSE WITH WHOEVER IS DESIGNATED TO
5 OVERSEE THE OVERHAULING OF THE E.R.C.P. SO THERE'S A SEAMLESS
6 TRANSITION THROUGHOUT THE OVERHAULING PROCESS. THE UNION AND
7 ITS MEMBERS ALSO SUPPORT THE BOARD'S EFFORT TO AMEND CONTRACTS
8 WITH GROUP HOMES, FOSTER FAMILY AGENCIES AND LICENSED FOSTER
9 HOMES TO INCLUDE STIPULATION THAT THE HOMES MUST REMAIN
10 AVAILABLE 24 HOURS PER DAY 7 DAYS A WEEK FOR PLACEMENTS. OUR
11 UNION AND ITS MEMBERS ALSO ASK THE BOARD TO CLARIFY WHETHER
12 THE NEW UNIT CREATED TO WORK WITH THIS HIGH RISK, HIGH PROFILE
13 YOUTH WILL BE STAFFED WITH SOCIAL WORKERS WHO WILL BE HIRED
14 SPECIFICALLY FOR THE UNIT OR WHETHER THE CHILDREN'S SOCIAL
15 WORKERS WILL BE TAKEN AWAY FROM CURRENTLY UNDERSTAFFED
16 PROGRAMS AT D.C.F.S. THE UNION AND ITS MEMBERS ALSO ADVISE THE
17 BOARD THAT WE FEEL THAT MORE THAN TWO WEEKS ARE REQUIRED TO
18 DEVELOP SOUND IMPLEMENTATION PLANS TO HOUSE CHILDREN IN A SAFE
19 AND THERAPEUTIC SETTING, TO OVERHAUL E.R.C.P. WE LOOK FORWARD
20 TO WORKING TOGETHER TO PROTECT THE CHILDREN WE SERVE. AND
21 THANK YOU VERY MUCH FOR YOUR TIME.

22

23 **SUP. YAROSLAVSKY, CHAIRMAN:** THANK YOU VERY MUCH, MR. GREEN.
24 THAT CLOSES THE PUBLIC HEARING. WE HAVE DIRECTORS OF D.C.F.S.
25 AND MENTAL HEALTH AND HEALTH HERE. DON?



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2 **SUP. KNABE:** FIRST OF ALL AS IT RELATES TO THE CHILDREN'S
3 VILLAGE AT L.A.C.+U.S.C. AS A VIABLE OPTION, JUST YOUR
4 COMMENTS OF WHETHER IT WOULD BE A VIABLE OPTION OR NOT. MY
5 CONCERN IS ARE WE JUST SHIFTING THE PROBLEM FROM ONE LOCATION
6 TO ANOTHER? ANYONE CAN COMMENT.

7

8 **DR. MITCHELL KATZ:** DR. MITCH KATZ, DIRECTOR OF D.H.S. I THINK
9 THAT THE CHILDREN'S VILLAGE IS A VIABLE CHOICE. I LIKE THE
10 FACT THAT IT'S CURRENTLY RUN 24 HOURS, THAT WE HAVE
11 PHYSICIANS, SOCIAL WORKERS AND OTHER STAFF ALREADY THERE.
12 THERE ARE SOME ISSUES DEPENDING UPON WHO'S THERE ON LICENSING.
13 SO, FOR EXAMPLE, BECAUSE THE BUILDING IN WHICH THE CHILDREN'S
14 VILLAGE IS PART OF THE HOSPITAL COMPLEX, WE WOULD NEED TO HAVE
15 AT LEAST A PORTION OF IT LICENSED AT THE LEVEL OF CHILDCARE IF
16 WE'RE GOING TO BE HOUSING CHILDREN FOR A PERIOD OF TIME. BUT
17 THAT'S A FEASIBLE OPTION. WE'VE ALREADY STARTED TALKING WITH
18 LICENSING. SO I THINK THAT IS A VIABLE OPTION FOR US.

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20 **PHILIP BROWNING:** SUPERVISOR, IF I COULD JUST COMMENT ON THIS.
21 PHILIP BROWNING, D.C.F.S. DIRECTOR. WE HAVE BEEN TALKING WITH
22 DR. HAGER FOR SOME PERIOD OF TIME. THIS WAS BROUGHT TO OUR
23 ATTENTION SEVERAL MONTHS AGO BEFORE IT WAS ACTUALLY OPEN. SO
24 WE HAD SOME DISCUSSION WITH HER AS RECENTLY AS A COUPLE OF
25 WEEKS AGO. I DO THINK THERE ARE A NUMBER OF ISSUES THAT NEED



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1 TO BE WORKED OUT. NOW I'M REALLY PLEASED THAT YOU HAVE MENTAL
2 HEALTH, HEALTH AND D.C.F.S. UP HERE TRYING TO WORK THIS OUT
3 TOGETHER.

4

5 **SUP. KNABE:** BUT HAVE WE NOT BEEN TRACKING THE DATA ON THE KIDS
6 COMING IN AND OUT OF THE COMMAND POST?

7

8 **PHILIP BROWNING:** WE HAVE A TRACKING LOG THAT IDENTIFIES WHO
9 COMES IN, WHAT THEIR AGE IS, THEIR SEX, ALL SORTS OF
10 INFORMATION, HOW LONG THEY'VE BEEN PLACED IN THE COMMAND POST
11 WHICH WE'VE MADE AVAILABLE. AND I THINK WE'RE HAVING 60 TO 70
12 PERCENT OF THE INDIVIDUALS GET PLACED WITHIN AN EIGHT-HOUR
13 PERIOD. THIS INFORMATION, HOWEVER, WAS ONLY AVAILABLE IN AN
14 AUTOMATED FASHION SINCE JANUARY. SO WE DON'T HAVE YEARS' WORTH
15 OF DATA EVEN THOUGH I THINK THE COMMAND POST OPENED IN 2003,
16 IT'S ONLY RECENTLY THAT WE'VE HAD AN AUTOMATED WAY TO COLLECT
17 AND MAKE THIS DATA AVAILABLE.

18

19 **SUP. KNABE:** I THINK TO SUPERVISOR MOLINA'S MOTION, I TOTALLY
20 AGREE WITH THE ISSUE AS IT RELATES TO THE COMMAND POST AND THE
21 CONDITIONS THAT THESE YOUNG PEOPLE ARE PUT IN. I THINK MY
22 POINT IS AND THE REASON I DO HAVE A SUBSTITUTE MOTION IF
23 THERE'S SUPPORT FOR IT IS THAT WE REALLY NEED TO LOOK AT THE
24 OVERALL CHALLENGES AND COME UP WITH A LOT OF OPTIONS OR A
25 COMPREHENSIVE SOLUTION. I JUST DON'T THINK IT'S PRODUCTIVE TO



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1 SORT OF DICTATE THE SPECIFICS AT THIS PARTICULAR POINT WITHOUT
2 BRINGING BACK TO ALL OF US SOME OTHER POTENTIAL VIABLE OPTIONS
3 AS IT RELATES TO A WHOLE COMPREHENSIVE SOLUTION TO WHAT IS A
4 VERY, VERY, AS SUPERVISOR MOLINA SAID, IT'S BECOMING A MINI
5 MACLAREN. I THINK IT'S WORSE THAN A MINI MACLAREN. AND THAT WE
6 NEED TO DEAL WITH A COMPREHENSIVE SITUATION THERE VERSUS
7 DICTATING THE DIRECTION AT THIS PARTICULAR POINT. AND SOON. I
8 DON'T MEAN TO DRAG IT OUT. I MEAN 30 DAYS OR WHATEVER IT MAY
9 BE. AND THAT WOULD BE THE INTENT OF MY SUBSTITUTE, BASICALLY
10 SAYING SUPERVISOR MOLINA'S EXCEPT NOT PRESCRIPTIVE.

11

12 **SUP. YAROSLAVSKY, CHAIRMAN:** ARE YOU MAKING A SUBSTITUTE
13 MOTION?

14

15 **SUP. MOLINA:** MAY I SPEAK?

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17 **SUP. YAROSLAVSKY, CHAIRMAN:** WELL, CAN HE MAKE THE MOTION OR AT
18 LEAST CIRCULATE IT?

19

20 **SUP. MOLINA:** MAY I SPEAK TO MY MOTION BEFORE HE SUBSTITUTES?

21

22 **SUP. YAROSLAVSKY, CHAIRMAN:** SURE, OKAY, FINE. GO AHEAD.

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24 **SUP. MOLINA:** THANK YOU. FIRST OF ALL, THE WHOLE ISSUE HERE IS
25 THE ISSUE OF SAFETY. THE REASON THAT I HAVE, UNFORTUNATELY AS



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1 YOU KNOW, MY EXPERIENCE WITH MACLAREN OVER 10 YEARS OF TRYING
2 TO DIRECTLY GIVE OVERSIGHT AND ASKING THE DEPARTMENT TO
3 PROVIDE SAFETY FOR THESE CHILDREN. WE KNOW MANY CHILDREN DIED
4 ALONG THE WAY. MACLAREN UNFORTUNATELY CONTINUED TO BE A
5 DUMPING GROUND FOR THESE CHILDREN. MANY OF THE GROUP HOMES
6 WOULD JUST DROP OFF KIDS ALL THE TIME AND SAY, "I'M JUST NOT
7 GOING TO TAKE CARE OF THEM," FOSTER CARE KIDS. THERE WERE A
8 LOT OF KIDS WITH MENTAL DISORDERS THAT WERE THERE THAT
9 WOULDN'T BE TAKEN ANYWHERE ELSE. I MEAN, I THINK IT WAS, AS
10 I'VE ALWAYS SAID, AN ASYLUM FOR CHILDREN. IT WAS NOT A SAFE
11 ENVIRONMENT. I THINK THERE WERE MANY EFFORTS TO MANAGE, TO
12 RECONFIGURE, TO FIND THOSE WAYS. BUT THE ESSENTIAL COMPONENT
13 THAT WAS ALWAYS LACKING IS THAT VERY, FRANKLY, IT WAS NOT A
14 CLOSED FACILITY. CHILDREN COULD GO IN AND OUT AT ANY TIME,
15 WHICH IS A STATE ISSUE, ISN'T CLEARLY OUR ISSUE EXCLUSIVELY.
16 THE OTHER ISSUE OF SAFETY WAS THE FACT THAT THERE WASN'T A
17 SUFFICIENT HEALTH ASSESSMENT, HEALTH OR MENTAL HEALTH. WHEN I
18 STARTED PURSUING SOME OF THE CASE MANAGEMENT -- AND AGAIN I'D
19 PREFER NOT TO DO THAT KIND OF REVIEW, BUT WHEN I STARTED
20 LOOKING AT THESE CASES AND I FOUND A 14-YEAR-OLD GIRL WHO KEPT
21 RUNNING AWAY, AND SHE WAS IN FOSTER CARE AND WOULDN'T STAY IN
22 A FOSTER CARE HOME. AND SO THEY PUT HER AT MACLAREN. BUT ON
23 MACLAREN, SHE WOULD LEAVE EVERY THURSDAY. SHE WOULD COME BACK
24 EVERY SUNDAY NIGHT. AND DURING THAT TIME, SHE USED DRUGS AND
25 SHE HAD MENTAL HEALTH ISSUES. AND WE ALSO KNOW SHE WAS GANG



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1 RAPED A COUPLE OF TIMES. BUT THESE WERE THE KIND OF ISSUES
2 THAT WERE GOING ON THAT WE COULD NOT CONTROL. WE HAD ISSUES
3 WHERE THE CHILDREN WERE SO VIOLENT THAT THEY HAD TO HAVE ONE-
4 ON-ONES, WHICH IS THAT A NURSE HAD TO SIT OUTSIDE OF THE ROOM
5 BECAUSE NOT ONLY OF THE DANGER OF THEM COMING OUT AND HURTING
6 OTHER CHILDREN, BUT THE DANGER TO THEMSELVES, AS WELL. IT WAS
7 A CONSTANT -- THEY HAD ABOUT ANYWHERE FROM 3 TO 16 PEOPLE AT A
8 TIME WHO WERE ON THAT KIND OF OVERSIGHT. THIS IS NOT A HEALTHY
9 ENVIRONMENT FOR ANY CHILD. AND UNFORTUNATELY IT WAS THE SAME
10 PLACE WHERE CHILDREN HAD BEEN INVOLVED AND SEEN DOMESTIC
11 ABUSE, THE LAW ENFORCEMENT DECIDED TO TAKE THE CHILDREN OUT.
12 THEY WERE TURNED OVER TO CHILDREN'S SERVICES BECAUSE OF THE
13 HOSTILITY OF THE SITUATION. AND IN MANY INSTANCES, YOU HAD
14 CHILDREN THAT FOR WHATEVER REASON, THEY DIDN'T HAVE THE HIGH
15 NEED OF MENTAL HEALTH, RATHER, THEY JUST NEEDED A SAFE
16 COMFORTING ENVIRONMENT UNTIL WE COULD STRAIGHTEN OUT THE
17 ISSUES WITH THEIR PARENTS. SOMETIMES THEY WERE ONLY THERE A
18 NIGHT. SOMETIMES THEY WERE THERE THREE OR FOUR NIGHTS. JUST
19 THE COMBINATION WAS JUST UNSAFE. SO WHAT WE DID IS WE FORCED
20 THE FOSTER CARE HOMES AND WE CREATED STRICTER REGULATIONS WITH
21 THE IDEA THAT WE WOULD NOT HAVE A DUMPING GROUND FOR CHILDREN,
22 THAT WE HAD TO FIND WHEN WE HAD RESPONSIBILITY FOR A CHILD,
23 THAT WE WOULD FIND A SAFE HOME FOR THEM OF SOME LEVEL OR A
24 SAFE PLACE. WHAT HAS HAPPENED, UNFORTUNATELY -- AND WE HAVE
25 BEEN LOOKING AT THE EMERGENCY COMMAND POST ON A REGULAR BASIS.



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1 WE HAVE BEEN CITED. AND THE STATE HAS POINTED OUT ISSUES TO US
2 ON A REGULAR BASIS OF OVERSTAYS AND PERIODS OF TIME OF
3 OVERSTAYS. WE NEED EVERY SINGLE TIME WE LOOK AT CORRECTIONS.
4 WE ASK THE DEPARTMENT TO CORRECT ITSELF. AND WE GET TOLD THAT
5 IT'S IN THE PROCESS OF DOING SOMETHING. BUT VERY, FRANKLY, I'M
6 AT WITS END. I'M AT WITS END. MY STAFF VISITED A COUPLE OF
7 WEEKS AGO. MR. BROWNING, YOU VISITED RECENTLY. WHAT WE FOUND
8 THERE AND I THINK I SHARED THIS WITH YOU -- AND TALK ABOUT AN
9 UNHEALTHY ENVIRONMENT. THERE WAS A NINE-MONTH OLD CHILD, ALL
10 RIGHT? THERE WERE THREE PREGNANT GIRLS. TWO GIRLS HAD JUST
11 BEEN RELEASED FROM LOS PADRINOS JUVENILE HOME. AND ONE YOUNG
12 WOMAN, WHO WAS A KNOWN PROSTITUTE ON OLYMPIC AND WASHINGTON,
13 AND OF COURSE THREE OTHER YOUNGER KIDS AS WELL AS THE BABY.
14 NOW, WE HAVE OUR SOCIAL WORKERS WHO ARE DOING THE COMMAND POST
15 WORK AND THEN WALKING AROUND TRYING TO TAKE CARE OF A NINE-
16 MONTH OLD CHILD, PREGNANT TEENS AND YOUNG PEOPLE WITH DRUGS
17 THAT THEY OPENLY USE IN THE SAME ROOM. THIS IS AN UNSAFE
18 ENVIRONMENT. AND WHERE IS IT? IT'S IN AN OFFICE BUILDING IN
19 LITTLE -- WHAT DO THEY CALL THOSE? CUBICLES WHERE PEOPLE MAKE
20 THEIR PHONE CALLS. THEY DON'T HAVE -- THIS IS NOT A PLACE --
21 AND WHAT HAPPENS IS, IS WHEN A SOCIAL WORKER, AFTER HER 12TH,
22 30TH OR 40TH CALL CAN'T FIND A PLACE FOR THE 17-YEAR-OLD GAY
23 SUBSTANCE ABUSE YOUNG MAN, THEY END UP GOING TO THE EMERGENCY
24 COMMAND POST BECAUSE THEY'RE NOT STAYING OVERNIGHT AT THE
25 REGIONAL OFFICES. SO WHAT YOU END UP IS ON ANY NIGHT, YOU WILL



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1 HAVE THAT KIND OF COMBINATION GOING ON. THIS IS UNSAFE FOR ANY
2 CHILD. WHETHER IT'S NINE MONTHS OLD, WHETHER IT'S A PREGNANT
3 TEEN. AND OUR DEPARTMENT OF PROBATION IS ALSO COMPLICIT IN
4 THIS BECAUSE THEY DROPPED OFF THOSE KIDS INSTEAD OF TAKING
5 THEM TO A SAFE HOME, THEY DROPPED THEM AND DUMPED THEM ON THE
6 DEPARTMENT OF CHILDREN AND FAMILY SERVICES, WHICH IS ALSO
7 WE'RE TRYING TO WORK THAT OUT, AS WELL. BUT THE SITUATION HERE
8 NOW IS THE ISSUE OF SAFETY. NOW, I'M ALWAYS WILLING TO TELL
9 THE DEPARTMENT: PLEASE DO YOUR JOB. PLEASE KEEP THESE CHILDREN
10 SAFE. BUT IT'S NOT WORKING. I DID IT FOR 10 YEARS WITH
11 MACLAREN TO THE POINT WHERE IT HAD TO CLOSE BECAUSE THEY
12 WEREN'T CHANGING WHAT WAS GOING ON. HERE WE KEEP SAYING EVERY
13 SINGLE CHILD SHOULD HAVE A PLACEMENT THE MINUTE THEY GET TAKEN
14 OUT OF A HOME. THIS IS NOT THE FIRST DIRECTOR THAT I HAVE
15 SUGGESTED, WHY NOT HAVE A SOLID INVENTORY OF THOSE TEENS THAT
16 HAVE MENTAL HEALTH ISSUES, SUBSTANCE ABUSE ISSUES, WHY NOT
17 HAVE AN INVENTORY, A BED WHERE WE KNOW WE'RE GOING TO GET TWO
18 OR THREE OF THESE A NIGHT, WHY NOT HAVE A PLACE FOR THEM? IF
19 WE'RE GOING TO HAVE A BABY, AN INFANT BABY LIKE A NINE-MONTH
20 OLD, WHY SHOULD THEY BE SITTING IN AN OFFICE CUBICLE BEING
21 HELD BY A SOCIAL WORKER WHO HAS TO BE MAKING PHONE CALLS OR
22 RECEIVING PHONE CALLS AT THE SAME TIME? IT'S AN UNSAFE
23 ENVIRONMENT. WE HAVE A TALLY OF WHO'S COMING IN. WE SHOULD
24 KNOW AHEAD OF TIME. WE SHOULD HAVE AN INVENTORY OF ALL THESE
25 AVAILABLE PLACES. BECAUSE KEEPING THEM IN THESE PLACES -- AND



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1 THEN WHAT THEY DO IS IF THAT NIGHT THEY DON'T FIND A PLACE FOR
2 THEM, THEY RUN THEM BACK TO THE REGIONAL OFFICE. AND THEN THE
3 REGIONAL OFFICE TRADES THEM OFF TO A SOCIAL WORKER WHO SPENDS
4 HER NEXT SIX TO EIGHT HOURS LOOKING FOR A PLACE FOR THEM.
5 OKAY? THIS IS NOT A WAY TO KEEP CHILDREN SAFE, FROM VOLLEYING
6 THEM FROM ONE PLACE TO ANOTHER, HAVING SOCIAL WORKERS WHO MAKE
7 AN EFFORT TO PICK UP THESE KIDS AND THEN THEY SPEND THE NEXT
8 COUPLE OF HOURS MAKING 20 TO 26 PHONE CALLS. THERE SHOULD BE
9 ONE CENTRAL LOCATION, ONE. IF I HAVE A BABY UNDER TWO OR THREE
10 YEARS OF AGE, WHERE SHOULD I PUT THEM? AND THAT CENTRAL
11 LOCATION KNOWS WHERE TO SEND THEM. SORT OF WHAT IS IT CALLED?
12 A TRAFFIC CONTROL THING THAT GOES ON FOR PLANES? IF THERE IS A
13 CHILD THAT HAS MENTAL HEALTH ISSUES AND IS A TEEN, YOU SHOULD
14 HAVE A PLACE. IF THERE IS A FIRE STARTER, OF WHICH THERE ARE
15 MANY, WHICH IS HOW THESE PEOPLE DUMP THE KIDS THERE, THEY
16 START FIRES, YOU SHOULD HAVE A LOCATION FOR THEM. IF THERE IS
17 A PREGNANT TEEN, WE NEED TO HAVE LOCATIONS FOR THESE CHILDREN.
18 WE CAN'T BE DUMPING THEM ON SOCIAL WORKERS THAT ARE ILL
19 PREPARED TO PROVIDE CHILDCARE, LET ALONE HEALTHCARE. TAKE AWAY
20 GUNS FROM SOME OF THESE TEENS. TAKE AWAY DRUGS. THEY DON'T
21 EVEN FRISK THEM OR DO ANYTHING. IT'S AN UNSAFE ENVIRONMENT FOR
22 OUR SOCIAL WORKERS. IT'S AN UNSAFE ENVIRONMENT FOR THE
23 CHILDREN. SO I WOULD LOVE FOR THE DEPARTMENT TO ONCE AGAIN BE
24 TOLD TO FIX IT. BUT, DON, I'M AT WITS END HERE. PHILIP
25 BROWNING WENT DOWN THERE ONE DAY, HE DIDN'T FIND ANYTHING ANY



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1 DIFFERENT. THOSE SOCIAL WORKERS, IF THEY COULD, WOULD COME
2 HERE AND TELL YOU WHAT GOES ON EVERY NIGHT. IT'S UNSAFE. NOW,
3 I DON'T KNOW -- I DON'T KNOW IF THE RIGHT PLACE IS SENDING
4 THEM OVER TO THE HEALTH DEPARTMENT TO CHILDREN'S VILLAGE. BUT
5 IT'S ONE OF THE SAFEST AREAS WE COULD THINK OF. THEY HAVE
6 MENTAL HEALTH ASSESSMENT THERE. THEY CAN DEAL IF THERE'S BEEN
7 ANY KIND OF ISSUE WITH THEM, THEY CAN DEAL IF THERE ARE
8 PREGNANT TEENS, IF THEY NEED MEDICATION, IF THEY NEED
9 SOMETHING THERE'S SOMETHING THERE TO HELP THEM. THEY SHOULDN'T
10 BE VOLLEYED AROUND FROM PLACE TO PLACE. SO THE REASON I PUT IN
11 THIS KIND OF DETAIL, DON, IS BECAUSE THE DEPARTMENT NEEDS TO
12 BE TOLD TO DO IT. WE ARE MONITORS OF THIS DEPARTMENT. THIS IS
13 NOT A DEPARTMENT THAT IS BEING MONITORED BY BILL FUJIOKA. WE
14 ARE IN CHARGE OF THIS DEPARTMENT. SO WHILE WE'RE IN CHARGE, WE
15 NEED TO TAKE SOME OWNERSHIP OF THIS PROBLEM. WE CAN'T SIT BY
16 AND SAY 'HEY, GO FIX IT. HEY, GO FIX IT. HEY, GO FIX IT.' WE
17 NEED TO FIX IT. AND WE NEED ACCOUNTABILITY. YOU NEED TO COME
18 TO US AND TELL US WHAT YOU'RE DOING TO FIX IT. NOT "I'M
19 PLANNING ON WORKING ON THIS WHEN I DEVELOP SOME GUIDELINES AND
20 SOME POLICY DIRECTIVES TO GO." WHICH IS THE ANSWERS WE GET.
21 "I'M GOING TO DO THIS NEXT TIME I GET AN ASSISTANT DIRECTOR OF
22 SUCH AND SUCH SERVICES TO DO IT." "I'M GOING TO DO IT WHEN I
23 CAN NEGOTIATE WITH THE UNION." I'VE HEARD THESE EXCUSE FOR
24 DECADES. AND IT IS INAPPROPRIATE. WHAT'S GOING ON IN THE
25 EMERGENCY COMMAND POST IS UNSAFE. NOW, PHIL, JUST ANSWER ONE



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1 QUESTION. WHEN YOU SAW IT, WAS IT A SAFE ENVIRONMENT FOR
2 CHILDREN? SIMPLE ANSWER WOULD DO.

3

4 **PHILIP BROWNING:** YES. I THINK IT WAS SAFE. I DO NOT THINK ANY
5 OF THE CHILDREN WERE BEING HARMED. I DO WANT TO SAY THANK YOU
6 FOR BRINGING THIS TO OUR ATTENTION. I HAD NOT VISITED.

7

8 **SUP. MOLINA:** YOU'RE WELCOME. WAS IT A SAFE ENVIRONMENT FOR
9 CHILDREN WHEN YOU VISITED?

10

11 **MR. BROWNING:** IT WAS NOT SAFE FOR THEM TO STAY THERE FOREVER.

12

13 **SUP. MOLINA:** BUT IT'S OKAY FOR THEM TO STAY THERE FOR SIX TO
14 EIGHT HOURS?

15

16 **MR. BROWNING:** IF THAT'S THE ONLY PLACE THAT WE CAN PUT THEM, I
17 WOULD HAVE TO SAY YES. I WOULD LOVE TO HAVE A 23-HOUR
18 ASSESSMENT CENTER. AS YOU KNOW, I'M NOT SURE IF YOU'VE BEEN
19 THERE, THERE'S A VERY SMALL PLACE TO PUT THESE CHILDREN. I'M
20 NOT CLEAR --

21

22 **SUP. MOLINA:** THEY SHOULDN'T BE THERE. THEY SHOULD BE IN A SAFE
23 HOME OR SAFE ENVIRONMENT.

24



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1 **PHILLIP BROWNING:** AND THAT'S THE GOAL FOR ALL OF THESE.

2 THERE'S NO DOUBT ABOUT THAT.

3

4 **SUP. MOLINA:** WHEN DR. KATZ TALKED ABOUT LICENSING OF THE
5 CHILDREN, THIS IS TOTALLY UNLICENSED FOR THIS KIND OF
6 CHILDCARE AND MENTAL HEALTH NEEDS. WE ARE GOING TO HAVE A
7 CHILD DIE THERE. SOMEONE IS GOING TO GET HURT. AND IT'S GOING
8 TO BE OUR RESPONSIBILITY. I THINK WE HAVE TO TAKE ACTION. NOW,
9 I WOULD LOVE THE DEPARTMENT TO TAKE THE KIND OF ACTION, BUT IT
10 NEVER COMES BACK WITH A SOLUTION. I WOULD LOVE TO SEE A
11 SOLUTION, BUT I HAVEN'T SEEN THEM PRESENT A SOLUTION OTHER
12 THAN THEY'RE WORKING ON SOMETHING THAT COULD BE DONE. I WAS
13 IMPRESSED WITH THE MENTAL HEALTH DEPARTMENT. WE CALLED THEM
14 AND ASKED THEM "WHAT DO YOU DO WITH THESE CHILDREN THAT WON'T
15 STAY"? AND IT'S A TOUGH ISSUE. BUT THEY DID COME UP WITH SOME
16 LOCATIONS FOR US. WE PLACED SOME CHILDREN THAT WERE COMING OUT
17 OF JUVENILE HALL IN THOSE LOCATIONS BECAUSE THEY STILL NEEDED
18 TREATMENT FACILITIES BECAUSE OF THEIR SITUATION AS FAR AS
19 MENTAL HEALTH AND OTHERWISE. WE NEED TO BE ON TOP OF IT. THERE
20 ARE TWO DEPARTMENTS WHERE THESE CHILDREN ARE WARDS. THE
21 PROBATION DEPARTMENT AND THE DEPARTMENT OF CHILDREN SERVICES.
22 IT IS OUR DUTY, JUST AS PARENTS, TO KEEP THESE CHILDREN SAFE.
23 SO THAT'S WHY I AUTHORED THIS MOTION. THAT'S WHY I'M BEING SO
24 CLEAR. THAT'S WHY I'M ASKING THEM TO COME BACK IN TWO WEEKS.



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1 AND IF TWO WEEKS -- IF HE HAS ANOTHER OPTION, ANOTHER
2 SOLUTION, I WELCOME IT. I WELCOME IT.

3

4 **SUP. RIDLEY-THOMAS:** THANK YOU, MR. CHAIRMAN. LET ME JUST
5 SIMPLY OFFER THE FOLLOWING BY WAY OF REMINDER IN THE EVENT
6 THAT WE ARE NOT COGNIZANT OF IT AND IT SEEMS TO ME THAT THE
7 MISSING PIECE OF THE PUZZLE AT THE TABLE IS PERHAPS THE
8 AUDITOR-CONTROLLER. PURSUANT TO THE INSTRUCTIONS OF THE COURT
9 IN JULY OF LAST YEAR WHEN WE DID ASK THAT THIS ISSUE BE
10 TREATED. AND THEN AS OF FEBRUARY OF THIS YEAR THE AUDITOR-
11 CONTROLLER DID COME FORTH AND SEVERAL ITEMS WERE FLAGGED IN
12 TERMS OF THE INVENTORY OF AVAILABLE SPACES. AS YOU MAY RECALL
13 THERE WAS A CALL FOR THE AMENDMENT OF CONTRACTS WITH FOSTER
14 FAMILY AGENCY AND GROUP HOMES TO REQUIRE THEM TO DO 24-HOUR
15 INTAKE, THEN THE ISSUE OF THE PROPER SEPARATION OF INFANTS AND
16 TEENS AT COMMAND POSTS. AND TRAINING OF CARE PROVIDERS ON HOW
17 TO STABILIZE AND ASSIST DIFFICULT TEEN FOSTER YOUTH. THESE ARE
18 JUST SOME OF THE THINGS THAT HAD BEEN IDENTIFIED AS
19 UNFINISHED, UNATTENDED TO AT THE TIME. SO MR. CHAIRMAN AND
20 COLLEAGUES, MINIMALLY WE SHOULD HAVE SOME SENSE OF WHAT
21 PROGRESS HAS BEEN MADE ON THOSE SPECIFIC ITEMS IF NOT MORE AS
22 CALLED FORTH BY THE AUDITOR-CONTROLLER PURSUANT TO THE
23 INSTRUCTIONS OF THIS BOARD TO THE AUDITOR-CONTROLLER IN JULY
24 OF LAST YEAR AND REPORT IT OUT IN FEBRUARY OF THIS YEAR. AND
25 SO FOR THIS ISSUE TO PRESENT ITSELF AGAIN WITHOUT REFERENCE TO



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1 THAT WHICH WE HAD ALREADY SOUGHT TO DEAL WITH BY WAY OF
2 ACCOUNTABILITY STRIKES ME AS BEING LESS THAN THOROUGH, LESS
3 THAN COMPLETE. AND THERE'S A BIT OF DISCONNECT HERE. SO THE
4 MOTION, THAT IS THE MAIN MOTION AS IT COMES TO OUR ATTENTION,
5 UNDERSCORES TWO POINTS, THE FIRST OF WHICH HAS ALREADY BEEN
6 REFERENCED, THAT IS, SAFETY. THE SECOND THAT I THINK HAS TO BE
7 APPRECIATED IS URGENCY. THE URGENCY, SEEMS TO ME, TO BE
8 RELEVANT BECAUSE OF THE CONSISTENCY OF THE CONCERN THAT HAS
9 BEEN CALLED TO OUR ATTENTION COLLECTIVELY AT LEAST SINCE JULY
10 OF LAST YEAR. MR. CHAIRMAN AND COLLEAGUES, IT SEEMS TO ME THAT
11 WE HAVE UNFINISHED BUSINESS IN THIS CONNECTION, AND I FULLY
12 BELIEVE THAT IT'S APPROPRIATE FOR US TO HAVE SOME
13 ACCOUNTABILITY IN TERMS OF WHAT COMPLIANCE THERE HAS BEEN WITH
14 THE ISSUES THAT HAVE BEEN IDENTIFIED IN THE REPORT OF FEBRUARY
15 12 THAT ONLY UNDERSCORE THE THRUST OF WHAT SUPERVISOR MOLINA
16 IS SEEKING TO GET TO AND WHAT SUPERVISOR KNABE IS SEEKING TO
17 GET TO. BUT WE NEED TO HAVE BETTER, MORE COMPLETE INFORMATION
18 AND ASK THE QUESTION: HAS THERE BEEN COMPLIANCE WITH THE
19 THINGS THAT HAVE ALREADY BEEN CALLED TO OUR ATTENTION? I DON'T
20 SEE THAT THERE HAS BEEN AS MUCH PROGRESS AS WE MIGHT HAVE
21 HOPED. IF THAT MATTER CAN BE SET STRAIGHT, I WOULD APPRECIATE
22 IT. SO THE GENTLEMEN AT THE TABLE, IF THEY CAN SPEAK TO THAT,
23 I THINK IT WOULD BE OF BENEFIT TO THE BOARD AS A WHOLE. DR.
24 SOUTHARD, DR. KATZ, MR. BROWNING?

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1 **PHILIP BROWNING:** I THINK WE HAVE RESPONDED BACK TO THE BOARD
2 ON THE AUDITOR-CONTROLLER'S REPORT. ONE IS THIS REPORT THAT I
3 JUST MENTIONED. THIS WAS VERY CLEARLY ONE OF THE THINGS THAT
4 WAS HIGHLIGHTED AS BEING NEEDED THAT HAD ALREADY BEEN IN THE
5 PROCESS FOR A NUMBER OF MONTHS. BUT THIS IS SOMETHING THAT
6 ACTUALLY WAS COMPLETED. AND I THINK THAT WAS ADDRESSED IN THE
7 RESPONSE BACK. WE CAN GIVE YOU BACK A RESPONSE. I THINK THERE
8 WERE MANY, MANY DIFFERENT ISSUES. BUT A RESPONSE WAS DONE. AND
9 WE CAN CERTAINLY UPDATE THAT RESPONSE. MANY OF THE THINGS THAT
10 SUPERVISOR MOLINA IS DESCRIBING I THINK ARE CERTAINLY ONES
11 THAT WE HAVE BEEN WORKING ON. I DID GO TO THE COMMAND CENTER,
12 SPENT WEDNESDAY NIGHT THERE. I WAS PRETTY CONCERNED. AND ONE
13 OF THE THINGS THAT WE'VE DONE -- WE HAD ALREADY HAD THIS IN
14 THE MIX, THOUGH, IS TO HAVE EVERY ONE OF OUR EXECUTIVE TEAM
15 SPEND AN EVENING AT THE COMMAND POST. WE'RE ASKING ALL OF OUR
16 REGIONAL ADMINISTRATORS TO SPEND A NIGHT IN THE COMMAND MOST.
17 MY BELIEF IS THAT THIS CAN BE REMEDIED BY EXECUTIVE LEADERSHIP
18 TAKING MORE OF AN ACTIVE ROLE IN THAT. I FOUND JUST IN MY
19 LIMITED TIME THERE SEVERAL SYSTEMIC PROBLEMS WHICH I THINK CAN
20 BE CORRECTED, AND THEY'RE ALREADY IN THE PROCESS OF BEING
21 CORRECTED. I BELIEVE ONCE WE GET EVERY SENIOR EXECUTIVE STAFF
22 MEMBER WHO HAS TO SPEND AN EVENING DOWN THERE, THEY ARE GOING
23 TO BE SITUATIONS THAT ARE GOING TO BE FOUND AND CORRECTIONS
24 TAKEN. I BELIEVE AS THE SUPERVISOR HAS SAID, TOO LONG WE HAVE
25 NOT FOCUSED ON THIS OPERATION. THIS OPERATION HANDLES ABOUT



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1 300 KIDS A MONTH. THESE ARE THE MOST DIFFICULT CHILDREN AND
2 ADOLESCENTS WE'RE TALKING ABOUT. THESE INDIVIDUALS HAVE VERY,
3 VERY DIFFICULT EMOTIONAL, MENTAL HEALTH, BEHAVIORAL PROBLEMS.
4 AND I THINK CERTAINLY WE'RE WORKING ON A PLAN WHICH INVOLVES A
5 DIFFERENT ADMINISTRATION THERE, EXECUTIVE TEAM MEMBERS BEING
6 THERE FULL-TIME. AND WE'RE GOING TO BE STAFFING THIS UP TO A
7 LEVEL THAT HASN'T OCCURRED BEFORE TO TRY TO REMEDY THIS
8 SITUATION.

9

10 **SUP. RIDLEY-THOMAS:** MR. CHAIRMAN, IF I CAN FOLLOW-UP. THE
11 CONCERN OF THE MOTION THAT'S BEFORE US IS ONE MATTER. IN TERMS
12 OF HOW IF THE BOARD WERE TO ADOPT IT, THE RESPECTIVE
13 DEPARTMENTS MIGHT COMPLY. THE ISSUE OF THE AUDIT IS ALREADY A
14 MATTER OF RECORD WITH RESPECT TO THE INSTRUCTIONS OF THE
15 BOARD. IT IS NOT CLEAR TO ME, MR. CHAIRMAN, WHAT THE SPECIFIC
16 RESPONSES TO THOSE ISSUES AS CALLED FORTH IN THE AUDIT HAVE
17 BEEN ADDRESSED. AS WE SPEAK, SUCH IS NOT THE CASE. AND SO THIS
18 IS A MORE COMPREHENSIVE CONVERSATION, IN MY VIEW, THAT
19 UNDERSCORES THE ISSUE OF SAFETY, THAT SPEAKS TO THE QUESTION
20 OF URGENCY IN A MANNER THAT REQUIRES WHATEVER WE INSTRUCTED ON
21 THE ACTION IN JULY OF LAST YEAR, WE OUGHT TO KNOW WHETHER OR
22 NOT THOSE ISSUES HAVE IN FACT BEEN ADDRESSED. POINT BY POINT.
23 AS OF THIS CONVERSATION, I DON'T KNOW THAT THE BOARD KNOWS
24 THAT AND I ASSERT THE BOARD SHOULD KNOW THAT. AND SO THE ONLY
25 THING WE HAVE HERE IN TERMS OF THE MOLINA MOTION IS A



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1 REINFORCEMENT OF WHAT WAS CALLED FORTH BY THE BOARD AS A WHOLE
2 IN JULY. AND I DON'T KNOW THAT IT'S REASONABLE FOR US TO BE
3 LESS INFORMED THAN WE SHOULD BE BECAUSE LESS INFORMED THAN WE
4 SHOULD BE IF THINGS HAVE BEEN ACCOMPLISHED AND WE OUGHT TO
5 KNOW IT. IF THEY HAVEN'T, WE OUGHT TO BE ABLE TO IDENTIFY
6 THOSE THINGS AND ASK THE QUESTION WHY NOT? AND WHAT, THEN, WE
7 SHOULD DO TO CAUSE THEM TO BE ADDRESSED. ON THE ASSUMPTION
8 THAT WE ALL KNOW THIS IS A SIGNIFICANT ISSUE OF CONCERN.

9

10 **PHILIP BROWNING:** SUPERVISOR, WE CAN GIVE YOU AN UPDATED REPORT
11 ON THE AUDITOR-CONTROLLER'S FINDINGS IF THAT WOULD BE HELPFUL.
12 THOSE THINGS HAVE BEEN RESPONDED TO. EVERY ONE OF THEM HAVE
13 BEEN ACTED ON. I'M NOT AT THIS POINT 100 PERCENT SURE THAT
14 THEY HAVE ALL BEEN COMPLETED. THERE ARE PROBABLY SOME WHICH
15 REMAIN TO BE WORKED ON. BUT WE CAN GIVE YOU THAT REPORT WITHIN
16 A SHORT PERIOD OF TIME JUST TO UPDATE YOU ON EVERY ONE OF
17 THOSE RECOMMENDATIONS. WE MET WITH THE AUDITOR-CONTROLLER. WE
18 CAME TO AGREEMENT ON THOSE THINGS. WE'VE ACTED ON THOSE
19 THINGS. JUST LIKE I SAID, THIS IS JUST ONE EXAMPLE, BUT WE'VE
20 PROBABLY GOT MANY MORE THAT I JUST DIDN'T BRING WITH ME.

21

22 **SUP. RIDLEY-THOMAS:** THIS THAT YOU REFERRED TO IS UNCLEAR TO
23 ME. I DON'T KNOW WHAT DOCUMENT YOU'RE REFERRING TO AND I DON'T
24 KNOW THAT THE OTHER MEMBERS OF THE BOARD --

25



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1 **PHILIP BROWNING:** ONE OF THE RECOMMENDATIONS FROM THE AUDITOR-
2 CONTROLLER'S REPORT WAS TO AUTOMATE THE CHILDREN AND
3 ADOLESCENTS COMING INTO THE SYSTEM. WE HAD A HANDWRITTEN WAY
4 OF TRACKING KIDS. SO WHAT HAPPENED IS, WE ALREADY HAD THIS IN
5 THE WORKS, BUT WE AUTOMATED THE SYSTEM SO THAT WE COULD
6 IDENTIFY THE NUMBER OF KIDS THAT WERE COMING IN, WHERE THEY
7 WERE BEING BROUGHT IN FROM, WHICH ONE OF OUR OFFICES, WHAT
8 THEIR AGES WERE, IF THEY HAD SIBLINGS, IF THIS WAS INITIAL
9 REFERRAL, THE REASONS FOR THE ARRIVAL, WHERE THEY WERE PLACED,
10 THE BARRIERS TO PLACEMENT. THERE ARE A WHOLE NUMBER OF --
11 THERE ARE A LOT OF THINGS THAT ARE HERE THAT ARE VERY
12 INSTRUCTIVE. AND THAT WAS JUST ONE OF THE FINDINGS OF THE
13 AUDITOR-CONTROLLER. BUT WE HAVE A REPORT THAT I THINK WAS MADE
14 AVAILABLE BACK IN JANUARY, BUT WE CAN CERTAINLY GIVE YOU AN
15 UPDATE BACK AS OF THIS MONTH ON WHERE WE ARE SINCE THERE WERE
16 A COUPLE MONTHS THAT PASSED SINCE WE REPORTED BACK TO YOU IN
17 JANUARY.

18

19 **SUP. RIDLEY-THOMAS:** I'M LOOKING AT THE DOCUMENT OF FEBRUARY
20 29. SO YOUR REPORT THAT YOU REFERRED TO AS A JANUARY DATE, THE
21 ONE THAT YOU JUST MENTIONED, IS LARGER OR A SEPARATE SET OF
22 ISSUES POTENTIALLY. AND SO WHAT I'M GETTING THE SENSE OF IS
23 THAT THIS IS REALLY SCATTERED. AND, FRANKLY, WE NEED TO FIND A
24 WAY OUT OF GETTING OUT OF THIS LEVEL OF CRISIS MODE AND
25 REACTION. AND MAYBE THE CONTROLLING DOCUMENT IS -- AND I DON'T



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1 KNOW IF IT'S THE CASE -- MAYBE THE AUDITOR-CONTROLLER'S
2 REPORT. THE REASON I KEEP GOING BACK TO THAT, THAT IS THE
3 DOCUMENT THAT THE BOARD INSTRUCTED AS THE PLAN OF ACTION, AS
4 IT WERE. I DON'T KNOW THAT -- AND ALL OF THIS PRE-DATES THE
5 CURRENT SET OF MOTIONS THAT WE ARE CONSIDERING. SO I'M SEEKING
6 TO ASK WHAT HAPPENED TO THE SPECIFICALLY CALLED-OUT ISSUES IN
7 SOME SPECIFICITY IN THE AUDITOR'S REPORT? AND WHAT MARCH
8 FORWARD, MOVEMENT FORWARD THAT IS, CAN THE DEPARTMENT IDENTIFY
9 SO THAT THE BOARD HAS A SENSE THAT WE ARE IN FACT GETTING OUR
10 ARMS AROUND IT? BECAUSE THESE PROBLEMS CONTINUE TO PRESENT
11 THEMSELVES. SO MR. CHAIRMAN, I MADE THE REFERENCE TO SAFETY. I
12 MADE THE REFERENCE TO URGENCY. I MADE THE REFERENCE TO
13 DISCONNECT. IT MAKES NO SENSE TO ME THAT ALL OF US AGREE THAT
14 THERE OUGHT TO BE AN AUDIT AND GET ON TOP OF THESE PROBLEMS,
15 AND THEN WE DON'T HAVE A CLEAR SENSE OF WHAT THE COMPLIANCE
16 IS. AND MR. BROWNING HAS MADE REFERENCE TO ONE PIECE, THAT IS
17 THE TECHNOLOGY PIECE THAT HE IDENTIFIES AS BEING VERY
18 IMPORTANT TO PAY ATTENTION TO. I DON'T MAKE ANY EXCEPTION TO
19 THAT. BUT THAT, FOR EXAMPLE, IS ONLY ONE OF SEVERAL. AND SO
20 WHAT ARE THE OTHER PIECES THAT NEED TO BE DONE? THEY MAY BE
21 LOCATED IN THE MOTIONS BEFORE US. THEY MAY NOT BE. BUT I DO
22 THINK THERE MUST BE -- THERE HAS TO BE A MUCH BETTER JOB IN
23 THE WAY OF ACCOUNTABILITY ON HIS PART.
24



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1 **PHILIP BROWNING:** WELL, SUPERVISOR, WHAT I'M LOOKING AT IS A
2 LIST OF THE RECOMMENDATIONS THAT WERE RESPONDED BACK TO THE
3 BOARD IN JANUARY. JUST ONE EXAMPLE IS TO IMMEDIATELY REMOVE OR
4 ENCLOSE THE WATER HEATER, WASHER, DRYER AND CONSIDER
5 INSTALLING LOCKS ON THE LAUNDRY ROOM. THAT'S JUST ONE OF THE
6 THINGS THAT WAS CITED. THAT HAS BEEN FIXED. THE WATER HEATER
7 WAS PLACED --

8

9 **SUP. RIDLEY-THOMAS:** MR. BROWNING, YOU'RE RESPONDING TO A
10 DOCUMENT THAT PRE-DATES THE FINDINGS OF THE AUDIT. AND I'M
11 ESSENTIALLY SEEKING TO SAY --

12

13 **PHILIP BROWNING:** THIS IS IN RESPONSE TO THE AUDITOR-
14 CONTROLLER'S AUDIT. THE AUDITOR-CONTROLLER DID AN AUDIT, VERY
15 COMPREHENSIVE, I CAN'T REMEMBER HOW MANY FINDINGS, BUT THERE
16 WERE A LOT. WE RESPONDED BACK ON EVERY ONE OF THESE. THIS
17 DOCUMENT I'M LOOKING AT WENT TO WENDY BACK IN JANUARY. IT GOES
18 THROUGH ITEM NO. 17. AND THERE COULD HAVE BEEN SOME OTHER
19 ITEMS WHICH HAD ALREADY BEEN COMPLETED. BUT WE CAN CERTAINLY
20 TAKE ALL OF THE FINDINGS AND UPDATE THEM AS OF TODAY'S DATE.
21 THIS IS AS OF JANUARY. BUT WE HAVE A RESPONSE BACK ON EVERY
22 ONE OF THOSE AUDITOR-CONTROLLER FINDINGS.

23

24 **SUP. RIDLEY-THOMAS:** I WANT TO MAKE SURE THAT WE'RE SPEAKING
25 THE SAME LANGUAGE. THE DOCUMENT THAT I HAVE FROM THE AUDITOR-



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1 CONTROLLER IS FEBRUARY 29. YOU'RE REFERRING TO A JANUARY
2 DOCUMENT. THIS IS -- AND SO YOU NEED TO UPDATE WHATEVER IT IS
3 THAT YOU HAVE THERE SEEKING TO RESPOND TO THE BOARD. BECAUSE
4 THE AUDITOR CAME BACK WITH AN ADDITIONAL SET OF
5 RECOMMENDATIONS THAT OUGHT TO BE UNDER CONSIDERATION. AGAIN,
6 UNDER OUR CONSIDERATION FOR RESOLUTION. AGAIN I MAKE REFERENCE
7 TO A DISCONNECT. YOU'RE TALKING JANUARY. THIS IS ALMOST A
8 MONTH PLUS LATER.

9

10 **PHILIP BROWNING:** WELL, BUT THIS IS THE REPORT WE SENT TO THE
11 AUDITOR-CONTROLLER. THE REPORT THAT MIGHT HAVE BEEN SENT ON TO
12 YOU, THIS WASN'T COPIED TO THE BOARD. SO I'M ASSUMING THAT THE
13 AUDITOR-CONTROLLER TOOK WHAT WE SENT AND GAVE IT TO YOU. BUT
14 WE CAN TAKE THEIR ORIGINAL REPORT AND UPDATE ALL THE FINDINGS
15 SO YOU KNOW WHERE WE ARE AS OF TODAY, IF THAT'S SOMETHING THAT
16 THE BOARD WOULD LIKE.

17

18 **SUP. YAROSLAVSKY, CHAIRMAN:** WHY DON'T YOU DO THAT?

19

20 **SUP. KNABE:** CAN I MAKE A SUGGESTION POSSIBLY? MAYBE --
21 SUPERVISOR MOLINA HAS INDICATED THAT MY COMMENT TO HER WAS
22 VERY PRESCRIPTIVE AND SHE SAYS, "WELL DON'T YOU WANT TO DO
23 THESE KIND OF THINGS?" YEAH, I MAY BUT THERE MAY BE OTHER
24 OPTIONS. AND THE EMPHASIS OF MY MOTION, WAS THIS COMPREHENSIVE
25 REVIEW IN LIGHT OF THIS. MAYBE THERE'S A WAY TO DO TWO THINGS.



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1 ONE TO HER MOTION ADD AN ITEM NO. 6, WHICH WOULD UPDATE THE
2 AUDIT REPORT AND ACTIONS THAT HAVE BEEN PERFORMED. AND, 7,
3 THEN TO INCLUDE MY THEREFORE FROM MY MOTION TO LOOK AT IT FROM
4 A COMPREHENSIVE STANDPOINT. SO THAT IT'S CLEAR THAT IF WHAT
5 SUPERVISOR MOLINA SAYS DOESN'T WORK, THAT YOU FEEL FREE TO
6 COME BACK AND LET US KNOW THAT. I MEAN, THAT'S MY -- I
7 UNDERSTAND WHERE SHE'S COMING FROM. WE ARE RESPONSIBLE. BUT
8 I'M NOT SURE THAT HER RECOMMENDATIONS WANT TO BE IMPLEMENTED.
9 I WANT YOU, THE EXPERTS, BUT WE ALSO NEED THIS IMMEDIACY AND
10 THE SENSE OF URGENCY THAT WE HAVE TO DEAL WITH. SO WE COULD
11 TAKE SUPERVISOR MOLINA'S MOTION, ADD ITEM 6 TO ADDRESS
12 SUPERVISOR RIDLEY-THOMAS AS IT RELATES TO THE UPDATE AND THE
13 AUDIT AND ADD MY THEREFORE MOVE AND CHANGE MY 30 TO TWO WEEKS
14 OR WHATEVER TO MATCH UP WITH HERS. THAT IF IN FACT WHAT SHE IS
15 RECOMMENDING IS NOT APPROPRIATE, THAT YOU HAVE -- AND FEEL
16 FREE AND THE OBLIGATION TO REPORT BACK TO US WITH ANOTHER
17 OPTION.

18

19 **SUP. YAROSLAVSKY, CHAIRMAN:** ALL RIGHT. I THINK THAT'S A
20 CONSTRUCTIVE SUGGESTION. I WANT TO JUST BE CLEAR SO THAT MR.
21 BROWNING IS CLEAR THAT THE SPECIFIC RECOMMENDATIONS THAT ARE
22 MADE IN SUPERVISOR MOLINA'S MOTION ARE NOT A DIRECTION TO HIM
23 TO DO THOSE IF HE DETERMINES BASED ON YOUR NUMBER 7 -- SO HE
24 HAS THE FLEXIBILITY TO EITHER IMPLEMENT, COME BACK WITH AN
25 IMPLEMENTATION OF ONE OR MORE OF HER RECOMMENDATIONS OR TO



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1 TELL US WHY THEY DON'T WORK AND PROVIDE US WITH AN ALTERNATIVE
2 TO HOW WE GET TO THE PLACE WE ALL WANT TO GET TO.

3

4 **SUP. KNABE:** THAT'S FINE.

5

6 **SUP. YAROSLAVSKY, CHAIRMAN:** ARE YOU CLEAR ON THAT?

7

8 **PHILIP BROWNING:** I AM.

9

10 **SUP. YAROSLAVSKY, CHAIRMAN:** OKAY. SO THAT, I THINK, GETS US
11 OFF DEAD CENTER. ALL RIGHT. ANY OTHER DISCUSSION?

12

13 **SUP. MOLINA:** MR. CHAIRMAN?

14

15 **SUP. YAROSLAVSKY, CHAIRMAN:** YES, MS. MOLINA.

16

17 **SUP. MOLINA:** JUST AS A CLARIFICATION SO THAT WE UNDERSTAND.
18 BUT I DO THINK THAT HOPEFULLY YOU'RE NOT GOING TO TELL US THAT
19 YOU'RE GOING TO TRY AND MAKE AN OFFICE SPACE SAFE. I HOPE
20 THAT'S NOT WHAT YOU'RE GOING TO DO. I DON'T WANT TO BE
21 DIRECTIVE AND TELL YOU. YOUR DEPARTMENTS ARE THE EXPERT, YOU
22 TELL US. WE IMPLEMENT. YOU MAKE YOUR RECOMMENDATIONS OF
23 POLICY. WE IMPLEMENT. BUT WHEN THERE'S A CRISIS, WE JUST NEED
24 TO KNOW, I JUST HOPE IT'S NOT TO SAY AN OFFICE BUILDING WITH
25 CUBICLES IS SAFE. THERE ARE OTHER ISSUES IN THIS REPORT THAT



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1 DOES THE TRACKING THAT YOU KNOW THERE ARE CERTAIN OFFICES THAT
2 ARE SENDING MORE CHILDREN THERE THAN OTHERS. SO YOU NEED TO
3 DEAL WITH THE MANAGEMENT OF THOSE OFFICES. I DON'T WANT TO
4 POINT IT OUT HERE. AND I DIDN'T PUT THAT ON THE LIST OF THINGS
5 TO DO BECAUSE THAT TRULY IS A MANAGEMENT RESPONSIBILITY THAT
6 YOU HAVE. BUT IT SPEAKS NIGHT AND DAY. WE KNOW THERE ARE ONLY
7 CERTAIN OFFICES THAT ARE -- AND SO I THINK YOU NEED TO ADDRESS
8 THAT. BUT, YOU KNOW, WE LOOK AT THESE NUMBERS SINCE JANUARY --
9 IN JANUARY, EVEN AFTER THE AUDIT, THERE WERE 60 KIDS. THAT
10 MEANS EVERY SINGLE DAY AT LEAST TWO KIDS WERE THERE. IN
11 FEBRUARY IT WENT UP TO 85. IN MARCH IT WENT UP TO 110 CHILDREN
12 STAYED OVER 8 HOURS OR AS MUCH AS 24 HOURS. IN MARCH WE HAD 6
13 CHILDREN WHO SPENT OVER 24 HOURS IN THE EMERGENCY COMMAND
14 POST.

15

16 **SUP. KNABE:** BUT ISN'T THAT PART OF THE PROBLEM, THOUGH? THAT
17 THE PROTOCOL IS NOT STIFF ENOUGH, THE OPTIONS ARE NOT THERE
18 BECAUSE WHAT IT SHOWS BY THAT, LOOKING AT THAT, IS THAT WHEN
19 IN DOUBT, DROP OFF.

20

21 **SUP. MOLINA:** THAT'S RIGHT. AND SO INSTEAD OF HAVING A PLACE, A
22 GO-TO LOCATION AND AN INVENTORY OF THOSE PLACES, I THINK --
23 THE ISSUE IS SAFETY. BUT I'M IN AGREEMENT.

24



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1 **PHILIP BROWNING:** SUPERVISOR, THE ISSUE IS SAFETY. I THINK THIS
2 INFORMATION, WHICH WASN'T AVAILABLE UNTIL JUST A FEW MONTHS
3 AGO, HAS GIVEN US INFORMATION THAT WE CAN ACT ON. AND WE WILL
4 BE ACTING ON THAT.

5

6 **SUP. YAROSLAVSKY, CHAIRMAN:** ALL RIGHT. THANK YOU. I THINK
7 WE'RE CLEAR ON WHERE WE NEED TO GO. WITHOUT OBJECTION, AS
8 AMENDED WITH MR. RIDLEY-THOMAS'S REQUEST AND THE AUDIT
9 RESPONSE AND MR. KNABE'S MOTION AS AMENDING MISS MOLINA'S
10 MOTION AS WE UNDERSTAND IT. WITHOUT OBJECTION, SO ORDERED.
11 THANK YOU. NEXT ITEM THAT WE WANT? MR. ANTONOVICH?

12

13 **SUP. ANTONOVICH:** I ALSO WANT TO ADJOURN IN MEMORY OF TOM
14 FUENTES WHO HAD PASSED AWAY. TOM WAS -- FOR A NUMBER OF YEARS.
15 BEFORE HE HAD ALSO SERVED AS THE SPOKESMAN FOR THE DIOCESE OF
16 ORANGE COUNTY. BUT HE WAS A VERY GIVING PERSON, SHARING, QUITE
17 INVOLVED IN HIS COMMUNITY, STATE AND NATION. HE WAS ALSO
18 DIRECTOR OF THE PHILLIPS PUBLISHING FOUNDATION AND VERY WELL
19 READ, VERY WELL RESPECTED, AND A LARGE LOSS. I ALSO MOVE IN
20 MEMORY OF THIS WILL MOVE IN MEMORY OF ALAN THOMAS, WHO WAS THE
21 BUS DRIVER WHO WAS TRAGICALLY KILLED THIS PAST SUNDAY MORNING
22 IN A SENSELESS KILLING, TO HIS WIFE AND FAMILY.

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24 **SUP. YAROSLAVSKY, CHAIRMAN:** ALL MEMBERS.

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1 **SUP. ANTONOVICH:** RIGHT. JOSEPH BARBERA. HE WAS THE PAST MASTER
2 OF THE CAHUENGA MASONIC LODGE IN 1966 AND OWNER OF THE A.M.
3 BARBERA AND SON MASONRY CONTRACTORS. KATHERINE "KATIE"
4 CAROUTHERS. SHE WAS AN EDUCATOR, TAUGHT AT MONTE VISTA SCHOOL
5 FOR 27 YEARS. DON "COACH" CRIMON, HE WAS A 48- YEAR RESIDENT
6 OF LANCASTER, A MEMBER OF THE ORIGINAL STAFF OF QUARTZ HILL
7 HIGH SCHOOL, WHERE HE SPENT HIS TEACHING CAREER IN COACHING
8 TRACK AND CROSS COUNTRY TEAMS. DR. BRUCE VARON OF BURBANK. HE
9 OPERATED THE VARON CHIROPRACTIC CENTER AND HE WAS ALSO THE
10 TEAM DOCTOR FOR THE BURBANK HIGH SCHOOL FOOTBALL TEAM AND
11 ACTIVE IN THE BURBANK KIWANIS CLUB. THOMAS BARRETT REDFORD. HE
12 WAS THE FATHER AND C.E.O. CALLIGRAPHER JEFF REDFORD, WHO
13 PASSED AWAY AT THE AGE OF 80. JUDGE JOHN RAYBURN WHO WAS
14 FORMERLY A U.S. ATTORNEY IN LOS ANGELES AND THEN APPOINTED
15 MAGISTRATE JUDGE IN 2006 AND PRESIDED OVER THE COURTROOM IN
16 RIVERSIDE. HE PASSED AWAY AT THE AGE OF 52 WITH ALZHEIMER'S.
17 WILLIAM "MARK" RYAN, LONGTIME RESIDENT OF GLENDORA, ACTIVE IN
18 THE COMMUNITY. ANGELA GUTIERREZ OF LA VERNE. SHE IS SURVIVED
19 BY HER HUSBAND, DAVID, WHO IS A LOS ANGELES COUNTY DEPUTY
20 SHERIFF, HER FOUR CHILDREN, HER MOTHER, BROTHER AND SISTER.
21 NADA DAVIDOVICH, WHO WAS ACTIVE AT ST. STEVEN'S ORTHODOX
22 CHURCH. CHARLES MCCARTHY, DEPUTY COUNTY SHERIFF, PASSED AWAY
23 AT THE AGE OF 55. AND WAYNE POWELL, ALSO RETIRED SERGEANT WITH
24 THE LOS ANGELES COUNTY SHERIFF'S DEPARTMENT. ALSO I WOULD LIKE
25 TO MOVE FOR NEXT WEEK'S AGENDA THAT "THE BOARD OF SUPERVISORS



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1 DIRECT THE REGISTRAR-RECORDER/COUNTY CLERK TO PLACE AN
2 ADVISORY VOTE ON THE NOVEMBER BALLOT THAT WOULD ASK THE VOTERS
3 OF LOS ANGELES COUNTY IF THE CALIFORNIA CONSTITUTION AND
4 COUNTY CHARTER SHOULD BE AMENDED TO MAKE THE LOS ANGELES
5 COUNTY ASSESSOR AN APPOINTEE INSTEAD OF AN ELECTED POSITION.
6 FURTHER MOVE THAT IF THE MAJORITY OF THE VOTERS WHO VOTE ON
7 THE ADVISORY ELECTION SUPPORT THE ABOVE REFERENCE AMENDMENTS
8 THAT THE BOARD DIRECT THE COUNTY LEGISLATIVE ADVOCATES TO SEEK
9 A SPONSOR IN THE STATE LEGISLATURE TO PROPOSE A STATEWIDE
10 CONSTITUTIONAL AMENDMENT ALLOWING LOS ANGELES COUNTY THE
11 OPPORTUNITY TO APPOINT A TAX ASSESSOR. THAT'S FOR NEXT WEEK'S
12 AGENDA. AND TODAY I WOULD LIKE TO MOVE IN LIGHT OF THE ARREST
13 OF THE FORMER LOS ANGELES COUNTY PROPERTY APPRAISER THAT THE
14 BOARD DIRECT THE COUNTY COUNSEL TO REPORT BACK IN ONE WEEK
15 WITH WHAT ACTION WOULD BE REQUIRED FOR THE BOARD TO APPOINT AN
16 INTERIM ASSESSOR IF THAT OFFICE BECAME VACANT. SO FOR REPORT
17 BACK NEXT WEEK.

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19 **SUP. YAROSLAVSKY, CHAIRMAN:** OKAY. I THINK THAT'S ALREADY BEING
20 DONE. THAT'S FINE, THAT'S FOR NEXT WEEK. MS. MOLINA DO YOU
21 HAVE ANY ADJOURNING MOTIONS?

22

23 **SUP. MOLINA:** I'D LIKE TO ASK ALL MEMBERS TO JOIN ME IN
24 ADJOURNING OF THE LEGENDARY MEXICAN WRITER, CARLOS FUENTES, A
25 LIFELONG ADVENTURER WHO HELPED EXPLODE THE LATIN AMERICAN



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1 LITERARY EXPLOSION IN THE 1960S AND THE 1970S. CARLOS WAS
2 TRULY LARGER THAN LIFE. HE AUTHORED MORE THAN 20 BOOKS,
3 INCLUDING ICONIC NOVELS, SHORT STORY COLLECTIONS, ESSAYS, AND
4 SCATHING COMMENTARIES WHICH STRIKINGLY REFLECTED NUMEROUS
5 ASPECTS OF LATIN AMERICAN HISTORY AND POLITICS. TWO OF HIS
6 MOST FAMOUS NOVELS, "THE DEATH OF ARTEMIO CRUZ" AND "OLD
7 GRINGO" HAVE WITHSTOOD THE TEST OF TIME AND HAVE BEEN
8 ENDEARINGLY POPULAR AS WELL AS RESPECTED. CARLOS FUENTES WAS
9 COSMOPOLITAN, HE WAS WITTY, PASSIONATE, KNOWLEDGEABLE. AND
10 THROUGHOUT HIS LITERARY CAREER HE EARNED NUMEROUS ACCOLADES.
11 HIS PASSING HAS GENERATED HEARTFELT TRIBUTES ACROSS LATIN
12 AMERICA AND AROUND THE GLOBE. WE WANT TO EXTEND OUR
13 CONDOLENCES TO HIS CHILDREN AND HIS FAMILY. MANY OF US HAD AN
14 OPPORTUNITY TO MEET HIM WHEN HE CAME HERE A COUPLE OF YEARS
15 AGO AND IT CERTAINLY IS A LOSS TO ALL OF US.

16

17 **SUP. YAROSLAVSKY, CHAIRMAN:** ALL RIGHT. ALL MEMBERS. THAT TAKES
18 CARE OF THE ADJOURNING MOTIONS. DO WE HAVE ANYTHING ELSE ON
19 THE AGENDA IN PUBLIC COMMENT? I'M GOING TO CALL FOUR PEOPLE ON
20 A TIME TO COME DOWN. TIM HYSOM, STACEY LEYTON, SOLOMON RIVERA,
21 AND CARMEN ROBERTS. ARE THEY HERE? OKAY. COME ON DOWN. MR.
22 HYSOM, IS THAT YOU?

23

24 **TIM HYSOM:** YES.

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1 **SUP. YAROSLAVSKY, CHAIRMAN:** OKAY. GO AHEAD.

2

3 **TIM HYSOM:** GOOD AFTERNOON, MEMBERS OF THE BOARD. MY NAME IS
4 TIM HYSOM, I AM THE DEPUTY DISTRICT DIRECTOR FOR CONGRESSMAN
5 ADAM SCHIFF. MR. SCHIFF WOULD VERY MUCH LIKE TO BE HERE TODAY
6 TO WEIGH IN ON THIS IMPORTANT ISSUE, HOWEVER, HE IS OUT OF THE
7 COUNTRY TRAVELING INTERNATIONALLY ON A CONGRESSIONAL
8 DELEGATION TRIP. HE ASKED ME TO COME BY TODAY TO READ THE
9 FOLLOWING, THE TEXT OF THE FOLLOWING LETTER THAT HE AND SOME
10 OF HIS COLLEAGUES WILL BE SENDING TO YOU LATER THIS WEEK.
11 "DEAR LOS ANGELES COUNTY BOARD OF SUPERVISORS, THANK YOU FOR
12 MEETING WITH ME RECENTLY TO DISCUSS THE FEDERAL PRIORITIES OF
13 LOS ANGELES COUNTY. I APPRECIATED HEARING HOW LOS ANGELES IS
14 UTILIZING THE STATE'S BRIDGE TO REFORM SECTION 1115 WAIVER TO
15 TRANSFORM THE COUNTY'S HEALTHCARE SYSTEM. YOUR POSITION ON
16 AMENDING THE WAIVER TO MEET YOUR CONCERNS REGARDING SERVICES
17 TO H.I.V. PATIENTS UNDER THE RYAN WHITE PROGRAM AS WELL AS THE
18 COUNTY'S OPPOSITION TO CONVERTING MEDICAID INTO A BLOCK GRANT
19 SETTING, SPENDING CAPS ON MEDICAID FUNDING AND REDUCING THE
20 PREVENTION THE PUBLIC HEALTH FUND. FURTHER, OUR CONVERSATION
21 ON THE IMPORTANCE OF HEALTHCARE REFORM TO LOS ANGELES COUNTY
22 RESONATED WITH ME. THERE IS ONE YOU REGARDING HEALTHCARE
23 REFORM THAT DID NOT COME UP IN OUR DISCUSSION, AND THAT IS THE
24 COMMUNITY FIRST CHOICE OPTION. THIS IS A PROGRAM CREATED UNDER
25 THE AFFORDABLE CARE ACT OF 2011 THAT WILL PROVIDE AN



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1 ADDITIONAL 6 PERCENT IN FEDERAL MEDI-CAL ASSISTANCE PERCENTAGE
2 FOR THE PROVISION OF MEDICAL ASSISTANCE FOR HOME AND
3 COMMUNITY-BASED ATTENDANT SERVICES AND SUPPORTS FOR ELIGIBLE
4 MEDI-CAL BENEFICIARIES. I WOULD LIKE TO TAKE THIS OPPORTUNITY
5 TO DRAW YOUR ATTENTION TO THE IMPORTANCE OF USING THE FUNDS
6 FROM THE C.F.C.O. AS THEY WERE INTENDED, TO INCREASE AND
7 IMPROVE ACCESS TO HOME AND COMMUNITY-BASED SERVICES. IT IS
8 CRITICAL AND CRUCIAL THAT THE INTENT OF THIS PROGRAM, WHICH IS
9 WRITTEN IN SECTION 915 OF THE SOCIAL SECURITY ACT, BE
10 PRESERVED IN LOS ANGELES COUNTY WHEN THE PROGRAM IS
11 IMPLEMENTED AND THAT THE SAVINGS FROM C.F.C.O. ARE NOT
12 DIVERTED TO OTHER PURPOSES. THE AFFORDABLE CARE ACT CREATED
13 THE C.F.C.O. AS ONE OF MULTIPLE PROGRAMS DESIGNED TO SUPPORT
14 STATES IN INCREASING, EXPANDING AND IMPROVING COMMUNITY
15 SERVICES SUCH AS THE CRITICALLY IMPORTANT PERSONAL CARE
16 SERVICES PROGRAM AND THE --"

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18 **SUP. YAROSLAVSKY, CHAIRMAN:** MR. HYSOM, YOUR TIME IS UP SO IF
19 YOU COULD WRAP IT UP.

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21 **TIM HYSOM:** OKAY. "AND THE I.H.S.S. PLUS OPTION PROGRAMS AS
22 WELL AS HOME AND COMMUNITY-BASED WAIVERS. THE C.F.C.O.
23 PRESENTS AN OPPORTUNITY TO STABILIZE FUNDING FOR THE LOS
24 ANGELES COUNTY HOME AND COMMUNITY-BASED PROGRAMS WHICH ARE
25 GREATLY RELIED UPON BY THE SENIORS AND PERSONS WITH



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1 DISABILITIES POPULATIONS FOR PROVIDING A WAY TO SAFELY REMAIN
2 IN THEIR HOMES."

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4 **SUP. YAROSLAVSKY, CHAIRMAN:** THANK YOU. YOU CAN LEAVE THE REST
5 OF THE TESTIMONY IF YOU LIKE. WE'LL MAKE IT PART OF THE
6 RECORD. MISS LEYTON?

7

8 **STACEY LEYTON:** THANK YOU. MY NAME IS STACEY LEYTON. I'M AN
9 ATTORNEY AT ALTSHULER BERZON, L.L.P., AND I'M HERE TO OFFER
10 COMMENT ON THE NEED FOR L.A. COUNTY TO USE THE C.F.C.O. FUNDS
11 TO INCREASE I.H.S.S. PROVIDER WAGES IN ORDER TO COMPLY WITH
12 THE LEGAL MANDATE OF THE C.F.C.O. AS PREVIOUSLY MENTIONED, THE
13 C.F.C.O. PROVIDES ADDITIONAL FEDERAL FUNDS IN ORDER TO ENABLE
14 STATES TO PROVIDE OR TO EXPAND HOME AND COMMUNITY-BASED
15 SERVICES PROGRAMS LIKE I.H.S.S. THAT LEGISLATION CONTAINS A
16 MAINTENANCE OF EFFORT PROVISION. AND THE MAINTENANCE OF EFFORT
17 PROVISION REQUIRES THAT STATE SPENDING ON PERSONAL ATTENDANT
18 SERVICES, MEANING I.H.S.S., MUST REMAIN CONSTANT OR MUST
19 INCREASE ONCE THE C.F.C.O. FUNDS ARE RECEIVED. IN OTHER WORDS,
20 THE C.F.C.O. MANDATES STATE AND COUNTY GROWTH IN SPENDING TO
21 COMPENSATE FOR THE INCREASED FEDERAL DOLLARS THAT WILL BE
22 RECEIVED AND DOES NOT PERMIT THE STATE OR COUNTIES TO DIVERT
23 SAVINGS TO OTHER PARTS OF THEIR BUDGETS BECAUSE THE C.F.C.O.
24 IS NOT INTENDED TO HELP LOCALITIES OR STATES REDUCE DEFICITS
25 BUT RATHER TO HELP EXPAND HOME AND COMMUNITY-BASED SERVICES



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1 PROGRAMS LIKE I.H.S.S. CALIFORNIA'S STATE PLAN AMENDMENT WHICH
2 HAS BEEN SUBMITTED TO THE FEDERAL GOVERNMENT WOULD BE
3 RETROACTIVELY EFFECTIVE DECEMBER 1, 2011. IF L.A. COUNTY DOES
4 NOT USE THE C.F.C.O. FUNDS TO INCREASE PROVIDER WAGES, IT WILL
5 BE IMPOSSIBLE FOR THE STATE OF CALIFORNIA TO COMPLY WITH THAT
6 MAINTENANCE OF EFFORT OBLIGATION. BECAUSE NONFEDERAL SPENDING
7 ON I.H.S.S. IS DIVIDED BETWEEN THE STATE OF CALIFORNIA AND
8 COUNTIES, ANY DECREASE IN L.A. COUNTY SPENDING ON I.H.S.S.
9 WILL HAVE AN EVEN LARGER EFFECT ON CALIFORNIA'S ABILITY TO
10 COUNT HOW MUCH MONEY THE COUNTY AND STATE IS SPENDING ON
11 I.H.S.S. AND TO MAINTAIN CURRENT LEVELS OF SPENDING. FOR
12 EXAMPLE, IF IN THE FIRST YEAR OF IMPLEMENTATION L.A. COUNTY'S
13 I.H.S.S. SPENDING WAS TO FALL BY \$25 MILLION, THAT WOULD LEAVE
14 CALIFORNIA \$75 MILLION SHORT OF ITS MAINTENANCE OF EFFORT
15 OBLIGATIONS. SO IN CONCLUSION, I JUST WANT TO SAY THAT THE
16 STATE CANNOT MEET ITS MAINTENANCE OF EFFORT OBLIGATION WITHOUT
17 L.A. COUNTY. AND SO IF L.A. COUNTY DOES NOT USE THESE FUNDS TO
18 INCREASE PROVIDER WAGES, THAT COULD EXPOSE THE STATE TO
19 CONSEQUENCES, INCLUDING THE WITHHOLDING OF FEDERAL FUNDS AND
20 LEGAL PROBLEMS.

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22 **SUP. YAROSLAVSKY, CHAIRMAN:** THANK YOU. SOLOMON RIVERA? IS HE
23 HERE? ARE YOU CARMEN ROBERTS?

24
25 **CARMEN ROBERTS:** YES.



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2 **SUP. YAROSLAVSKY, CHAIRMAN:** JUST WAIT ONE SECOND. LIDIA
3 GONZALEZ? IS SHE HERE? PATRICIA ROCHE? IS PATRICIA ROCHE HERE?
4 SHE'S NOT HERE. ELESHA KINGSHOTT? MICHAEL HOWARD? MICHAEL
5 HOWARD? RUBY GUILLEN? OKAY. ALL RIGHT. CARMEN ROBERTS, YOU'RE
6 ON.

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8 **CARMEN ROBERTS:** HELLO, SUPERVISORS. MY NAME IS CARMEN ROBERTS
9 AND I'VE BEEN AN I.H.S.S. CAREGIVER FOR FIVE YEARS. I'M ALSO A
10 PROUD MEMBER OF S.E.I.U. U.L.T.C.W. AND LIVE IN SUPERVISOR
11 MICHAEL ANTONOVICH'S DISTRICT. I FIRST BECAME A CAREGIVER WHEN
12 MY FATHER WAS IN NEED OF CARE IN ORDER FOR HIM TO REMAIN AT
13 HOME. THE I.H.S.S. PROGRAM WAS A BLESSING TO HIM. IT PROVIDED
14 THE RESPECT AND DIGNITY TO REMAIN AT HOME WHERE HE WANTED TO
15 BE. SINCE THEN, MY FATHER'S PASSED ON, BUT I HAVE CONTINUED TO
16 BE A HOME CAREGIVER, WORKING TO INSURE THAT OTHERS IN NEED
17 HAVE THE SAME OPPORTUNITY TO REMAIN SAFELY AT HOME THAT MY
18 FATHER HAD. TODAY, I CARE FOR A 62-YEAR-OLD WOMAN WHO SUFFERS
19 FROM DIABETES, SEVERE ARTHRITIS AND WHO CAN BARELY WALK. I'M
20 PROUD OF THE WORK THAT WE DO AS CAREGIVERS AND THE SERVICE WE
21 PROVIDE TO THE COUNTY. BUT AS YOU'VE HEARD MANY OF US SHARE
22 WITH YOU, IT'S NOT EASY. THE WORK WE DO IS DEMANDING, BOTH
23 PHYSICALLY AND EMOTIONALLY. BUT THE CHALLENGES FROM OUR JOB
24 DON'T END AT WORK. THEY FOLLOW US HOME AS WE ARE CONSTANTLY
25 REMINDED ABOUT HOW DIFFICULT IT IS TO DO OUR WORK AND MAKE



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1 ENDS MEET AT THE SAME TIME. BUT OUR QUALITY OF CARE INCREASES.
2 YOU'VE HEARD US MENTION AT OTHER BOARD MEETINGS THE U.C.L.A.
3 REPORT CALLED STRAPPED AND STRESSED. IT TALKS ABOUT THE
4 FINANCIAL CHALLENGES WE FACE AS CAREGIVERS AND THE STRESS THAT
5 COMES WITH THAT. THE STRESS OF TRYING TO FIGURE OUT HOW TO
6 COVER OUR FAMILIES' MOST BASIC EXPENSES. WE ARE THE FACE OF
7 THAT REPORT. WE LIVE STRAPPED AND STRESSED DAY IN AND DAY OUT.
8 BUT YOU CAN HELP CHANGE THAT BY APPROVING THE PUBLIC
9 AUTHORITY'S RECOMMENDATION TO PAY HOME CARE PROVIDERS A LIVING
10 WAGE OF \$9.65 AN HOUR. WE CALL OUR CONTRACT CAMPAIGN L.A. WINS
11 FOR A REASON. BECAUSE USING THE SAVINGS FROM THE C.F.C.O.
12 PROGRAM TO PROVIDE CAREGIVERS WITH A LIVING WAGE IS A WIN/WIN
13 FOR ALL.

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15 **SUP. YAROSLAVSKY, CHAIRMAN:** THANK YOU. LIDIA GONZALEZ?

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17 **LIDIA GONZALEZ:** (SPEAKS SPANISH).

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19 **SUP. YAROSLAVSKY, CHAIRMAN:** JUST ONE SECOND. UNO MOMENTO, POR
20 FAVOR.

21

22 **SUP. YAROSLAVSKY, CHAIRMAN:** GIVE HIM A CHANCE. HE'S GOT A GOOD
23 MEMORY BUT NOT THAT GOOD.

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1 **LIDIA GONZALEZ (THROUGH TRANSLATOR)**: HELLO, SUPERVISORS MY
2 NAME IS LIDIA GONZALES AND I'M AN L.A. COUNTY I.H.S.S.
3 PROVIDER AND MEMBER OF S.E.I.U. U.L.T.C.W. I ALSO LIVE IN
4 SUPERVISOR YAROSLAVSKY'S DISTRICT. I'M HERE TODAY ALONG WITH
5 OTHER CAREGIVERS ASKING FOR YOUR SUPPORT IN GRANTING US A
6 LIVING WAGE. TO SOME, THE DIFFERENCE BETWEEN \$9 AN HOUR, THE
7 \$9 AN HOUR WE'RE MAKING AND THE 9.65 WE'RE ASKING FOR MAY SEEM
8 SMALL. BUT TO THE 128,000 CAREGIVERS WHO PROVIDE CARE TO OVER
9 155,000 LOW INCOME COUNTY SENIORS AND PEOPLE WITH
10 DISABILITIES, THAT 65 CENTS MEANS A WORLD OF DIFFERENCE. IT
11 MEANS BEING ABLE TO COVER OUR MOST BASIC BILLS LIKE RENT AND
12 ELECTRICITY. IT MEANS NOT HAVING TO CHOOSE BETWEEN PAYING
13 THOSE BILLS OR PUTTING FOOD ON THE TABLE. AND FOR MANY OF US,
14 IT MEANS BEING ABLE TO CONTINUE TO DO THIS WORK THAT KEEPS OUR
15 MOST VULNERABLE RESIDENTS SAFE AT HOME AND OUT OF EXPENSIVE
16 INSTITUTIONS. I'M A SINGLE MOTHER RAISING TWO DAUGHTERS. AND
17 I'M CONSTANTLY STRUGGLING TO MAKE ENDS MEET. MANY TIMES THEY
18 ASK ME TO TAKE THEM OUT FOR A HAMBURGER, BUT I ALWAYS TELL
19 THEM NO. SIMPLY I LACK THE MEANS TO BE ABLE TO DO SO. I DON'T
20 BELIEVE WE'RE ASKING FOR A LOT. WE'RE SIMPLY ASKING TO RECEIVE
21 THE COUNTY LIVING WAGE THAT YOU ALL FELT WAS THE MINIMUM WAGE
22 A WORKER COULD MAKE IN ORDER TO PROVIDE FOR THEIR FAMILIES AND
23 BE ABLE TO LIVE IN LOS ANGELES COUNTY. WE'RE GRATEFUL THAT THE
24 FEDERAL GOVERNMENT HAS MADE ADDITIONAL MONEY AVAILABLE TO HELP
25 FUND PROGRAMS LIKE I.H.S.S. THROUGH THE COMMUNITY FIRST CHOICE



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1 OPTION. AND WE'RE GLAD THAT THE STATE TOOK ACTION TO BRING
2 THAT MONEY TO CALIFORNIA. WE'RE ASKING YOU TO REFLECT IN THE
3 COUNTY BUDGET AND APPLY IT TO THE LIVING WAGE WE SO
4 DESPERATELY NEED. THANK YOU.

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6 **SUP. YAROSLAVSKY, CHAIRMAN:** OKAY. THANK YOU. MISS GUILLEN,
7 RUBY GUILLEN?

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9 **RUBY GUILLEN:** I READ THIS VERY WELL, THE MOTION, FOSTER
10 PLACEMENTS. I'VE NEVER DONE THIS BEFORE, SO I'M A LITTLE BIT
11 NERVOUS, I APOLOGIZE.

12

13 **SUP. YAROSLAVSKY, CHAIRMAN:** IT'S OKAY.

14

15 **RUBY GUILLEN:** THIS IS A CELL PHONE. YOU CLICK HERE, IT WILL
16 GIVE YOU OPTIONS. SCROLL UP, PICK A ZIP CODE, ANYONE IN THE
17 STATE OF CALIFORNIA. I COULD FIND A FOSTER HOME OR GROUP HOME
18 IN LESS THAN FIVE SECONDS THE ENTIRE STATE IS HERE. IT'S DONE.
19 I'M A FORMER FOSTER KID FROM L.A. COUNTY. I HAD 19 FAMILY
20 MEMBERS RECEIVED DIRECT SERVICES FROM D.C.F.S. I UNDERSTAND
21 PLACEMENT REALLY, REALLY WELL. I'M AFFILIATED WITH THE FOSTER
22 CARE ALUMNI ASSOCIATION NATIONWIDE. THEY'VE BEEN LOOKING AT
23 THIS PROGRAM. I ALSO UNDERSTAND THE STATE OF CALIFORNIA, BY
24 JULY 1 IF THEY DON'T RESOLVE THE PLACEMENT ISSUE BY JULY 1,
25 WILL BE SANCTIONED \$10 MILLION. I ALSO UNDERSTAND THE STATE OF



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1 WASHINGTON WAS SUED BY FOSTER KIDS AND LOST. AND HERE'S THE
2 APP. IT WORKS. THE ENTIRE STATE. GIVE ME A ZIP CODE. SISKIYOU,
3 BUTTE, L.A., ORANGE COUNTY. I'LL FIND A FOSTER PLACEMENT IN
4 LESS THAN FIVE SECONDS. AND IT'S BEEN CODED FOR SCHOOL
5 DISTRICTS. SO WHEN YOU REMOVE A KID FROM LONG BEACH, THEY
6 CONTINUE RECEIVING SERVICES FROM LONG BEACH. ALSO D.M.H.,
7 MENTAL HEALTH SERVICES, WHEN YOU REMOVE A CHILD AND YOU REMOVE
8 THEM FROM LONG BEACH TO LAKE LOS ANGELES OR VALENCIA, MENTAL
9 HEALTH SERVICES STOP. KEEP THEM IN THE SAME DISTRICT, MENTAL
10 HEALTH SERVICES CONTINUE. AND IT'S RIGHT HERE. IT'S RIGHT
11 HERE. I'VE BEEN TRYING TO GET THIS OFF THE GROUND A VERY LONG
12 TIME. BECAUSE I'M A FORMER FOSTER KID. PLEASE LISTEN TO ME. I
13 UNDERSTAND IT. THAT'S ALL I HAVE TO SAY.

14

15 **SUP. YAROSLAVSKY, CHAIRMAN:** THANK YOU. MR. SACHS?

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17 **RUBY GUILLEN:** YEAH. IT SAYS L.A. COUNTY D.C.F.S. IT WOULD BE A
18 CONFLICT OF INTEREST IF I GAVE IT TO YOU.

19

20 **SUP. YAROSLAVSKY, CHAIRMAN:** MR. PREVEN, YOU CAN GO FIRST.

21

22 **SUP. MOLINA:** THANK YOU.

23

24 **RUBY GUILLEN:** I'LL GIVE IT TO YOU, ANYWAY, SIR.

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1 **ERIC PREVEN:** MY NAME IS ERIC PREVEN AND I AM THE COUNTY
2 RESIDENT FROM DISTRICT 3 AND I WOULD LIKE TO APPLAUD
3 SUPERVISOR MOLINA FOR BRINGING THIS ISSUE OF THE EMERGENCY
4 RESPONSE ISSUE FORWARD. AND I THINK IT'S VERY EXCITING THAT
5 THIS BOARD IS ROLLING UP THEIR SLEEVES AS IF THEY'RE GOING TO
6 TAKE SOME ACTION. I AM A TEENY BIT CONCERNED THAT THE AUDITOR-
7 CONTROLLER IS BOTH POINTED TO AS THE PRIOR SOLUTION BY DOING
8 AN AUDIT AND NOW WE ARE EAGERLY AWAITING FEEDBACK ON THOSE
9 RECOMMENDATIONS. AND IT'S NO SECRET THAT THE AUDITOR-
10 CONTROLLER IS ALSO BEING PUT FORWARD AS THE BIG FIX ON OUR
11 ASSESSOR INVESTIGATION. GUYS, THE AUDITOR-CONTROLLER WORKS
12 DIRECTLY FOR YOU, IF I GOT THAT CORRECTLY. MAYBE WE ELECT HER.
13 BUT THE POINT IS SHE MARCHES TO THE DRUM OF THIS BOARD. AND
14 I'M CONCERNED THAT NUMEROUS INVESTIGATIONS BY THE AUDITOR-
15 CONTROLLER RESULT IN RECOMMENDATIONS THAT WIND UP GOING SORT
16 OF PLAH, NOTHING REALLY HAPPENS. NOW, I UNDERSTAND THESE ARE
17 VERY SERIOUS ISSUES, BUT I ALSO UNDERSTAND THAT THE MOST
18 DIFFICULT PSYCHIATRICALY POTENTIALLY DAMAGED INDIVIDUALS WHO
19 NEED HELP ARE NOT THE ONES WHO SHOULD BE IN AN OFFICE PARK AT
20 NIGHT. AND I WOULD LIKE THIS PARTICULAR ISSUE TO BE FOLLOWED
21 THROUGH ON, NOT JUST KIND OF BRUSHED OFF TO THE AUDITOR. WHAT
22 DOES THE AUDITOR-CONTROLLER HAVE TO DO WITH THIS, FIRST OF
23 ALL? THE IDEA THAT SHE THINKS THAT WE SHOULD PUT A LOCK ON THE
24 LAUNDRY ROOM OF THIS PLACE IS NOT A SOLUTION TO THESE
25 PROBLEMS. I AM REALLY BESIDE MYSELF ABOUT THAT PARTICULAR



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1 ISSUE. IT'S EATEN UP MOST OF MY TIME. AND I JUST WANT TO POINT
2 OUT THAT -- THAT'S VERY FUNNY I'M SURE SOMEBODY FOUND THAT
3 AMUSING. THE SOUTHERN CALIFORNIA EDISON GROUP WHICH WAS HERE
4 NOW IN FOUR DIFFERENT ITEMS TODAY, NONE OF WHICH HAVE BEEN
5 HEARD BECAUSE THEY HAVE BEEN CONTINUED, ONE OF THEM IS A
6 \$5,000 WE GIVE THEM FOR THE FRANCHISE FEE TO DO BUSINESS HERE.
7 ANOTHER IS FOR \$135,000 TO PEEK INTO OUR PLUMBING PROBLEMS FOR
8 OUR POWER PROBLEMS IN THE MARINA AND FOR \$135,000 GIVE US
9 BIGGER INVOICE. IS THERE ANY WAY WE CAN NEGOTIATE IN GOOD
10 FAITH WITH THIS GROUP AND GET SO CAL EDISON TO WAIVE SOME OF
11 THESE CHARGES? THEY ARE OUR BIGGEST --

12

13 **SUP. YAROSLAVSKY, CHAIRMAN:** YOUR TIME IS UP. THANK YOU, MR.
14 PREVEN. MR. SACHS?

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16 **ARNOLD SACHS:** YES, THANK YOU. ARNOLD SACHS. GOOD AFTERNOON. I
17 REALLY WANT TO TAKE A MOMENT BECAUSE I WAS REMISS FROM LAST
18 WEEK FOR NOT THANKING THE POST OFFICE AND THE POSTAL WORKERS
19 FOR THE WORK THEY DID IN THE FOOD DRIVE TO COLLECT FOOD FOR
20 FOR THE -- THE HUNGER DRIVE THAT OCCURRED ON SATURDAY. THEY
21 REALLY STEPPED UP. IT WAS A GREAT SITUATION. PEOPLE REALLY
22 DONATED A LOT OF FOOD. I VOLUNTEER AT A HOMELESS KITCHEN. AND
23 THE POST OFFICE SHOULD BE RECOMMENDED AND COMMENDED FOR THE
24 ACTIONS OF THE POSTAL WORKERS, POST OFFICE MAILMEN AND THE
25 WORK THEY DID ON SATURDAY TO COLLECT THE FOOD. THEY DID AN



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1 OUTSTANDING JOB. AND I THINK MAYBE THE COUNTY SHOULD RECOGNIZE
2 GENERALLY WHAT THEY DID TO ASSIST A LOT OF THE PEOPLE IN
3 PICKING UP GROCERIES. AND THE PUBLIC ALSO SHOULD BE COMMENDED
4 FOR THEIR DONATION OF FOOD BECAUSE IT SHOWED THAT THEY'RE
5 PAYING ATTENTION TO THE ECONOMY. THAT BEING SAID, I'D ALSO
6 LIKE TO THANK SUPERVISOR RIDLEY-THOMAS FOR HIS DISCUSSION ON,
7 I DON'T KNOW, SUPERVISOR MOLINA'S MOTION ON ITEM 19, PLUS THE
8 FACT THAT I GUESS IF YOU PUT IN TOO MANY CARDS, YOU DON'T
9 REALLY GET TO SPEAK ON THESE ITEMS ANYMORE BECAUSE YOU JUST
10 DON'T GET TO SPEAK ON THESE ITEMS ANYMORE BECAUSE OH, YOU
11 KNOW, THE RULES. BUT YOU MENTIONED THE SENSE OF URGENCY. YOU
12 MENTIONED THERE'S A BIT OF DISCONNECT. THERE'S LESS -- THERE'S
13 MORE DISCONNECT IN THIS BOARD THAN THE GAP BETWEEN THE NORTH
14 RIM OF THE GRAND CANYON AND THE SOUTH RIM OF THE GRAND CANYON,
15 MR. RIDLEY-THOMAS. AND A SENSE OF URGENCY? GEEZ, I'VE BEEN
16 COMING HERE SIX YEARS, I HAVEN'T HEARD ANY DISCUSSION ABOUT
17 THIS AT ALL. SO TALK ABOUT A SENSE OF URGENCY. OH MY TIME IS
18 UP, I DON'T WANT TO SHOOT.

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20 **SUP. YAROSLAVSKY, CHAIRMAN:** THANK YOU. SACHI, CLOSED SESSION?
21 OH, THERE'S ONE MORE PERSON. PATRICIA ROCHE. I'M SORRY.

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23 **PATRICIA ROCHE:** PATRICIA, OH I'M SORRY. YES. TO ADDRESS THE
24 BOARD. MY NAME IS PATRICIA ROCHE. AND I'M ALSO HERE TO
25 REPRESENT ROBIN BRACKEN AND PATRICIA CRAWFORD. I CURRENTLY AM



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1 ON LONG TERM DISABILITY. AND I HAVE BEEN SINCE 2003. I'M HERE
2 MAINLY JUST TO SAY THAT BECAUSE OF SURGERY, I CAN ONLY SPEAK
3 FOR MYSELF, IT HAS BEEN MONITORED AND IT HAS PUT AN
4 OVERWHELMING STRAIN ON ME PHYSICALLY, EMOTIONALLY. PRIVACY IS
5 AN ISSUE. IT SEEMS LIKE MY LIFE IS GOING NOWHERE FAST, OKAY?
6 I'M REALLY GUESSING. BECAUSE OF THE SURGERY, AND OTHER
7 PERSONAL AND NOW COMMUNITY INVOLVEMENT AND CONFLICT, I
8 PERSONALLY LOST MY JOB IN 2003 WORKING FOR FAMILY SUPPORT,
9 CHARLES MANDELL TORRANCE. I HAVE BEEN OUT OF A JOB SINCE THEN.
10 I'M TRYING TO GET BACK ON MY FEET, CONCERNED ABOUT MY
11 IMMEDIATE FAMILY, MY BROTHER JOHN, HE'S CURRENTLY ON KIDNEY
12 DIALYSIS, HAS BEEN ON FOR THE PAST TWO YEARS BECAUSE OF
13 DIABETES. I HAVE BALLOONED FROM 150 TO NOW 270 POUNDS. IT'S
14 OVERWHELMING. THINGS ARE GETTING, OR HAVE GOTTEN WORSE EVERY
15 YEAR SINCE 2006. I NEED YOUR HELP NOW, IMMEDIATELY. I'M NOT A
16 DATING SERVICE, A CHILDCARE HEALTH CENTER, NOBODY HAS EVER
17 SPOKEN TO ME OR ADVISED ME OF ANYTHING SINCE I WAS OPERATED ON
18 IN '98 AT KAISER CADILLAC. YOU CAN SPEAK TO STEVEN GOLIGHTLY,
19 LORI STEWART WAS MY BOSS, WAYNE DOSS, HOWARD STRAUSS. THANK
20 YOU. HELP ME, PLEASE. THANK YOU.

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22 **SUP. YAROSLAVSKY, CHAIRMAN:** THANK YOU.

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24 **PATRICIA ROCHE:** OKAY. CAN I JUST SAY ONE THING?



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1 **SUP. YAROSLAVSKY, CHAIRMAN:** YES, GO AHEAD.

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3 **PATRICIA ROCHE:** IT'S JUST THE FACT THAT WHEN I HAD MINOR
4 SURGERY, I WAS NEVER ADVISED OR TOLD ANYTHING. YOU KNOW, WE
5 WORKED TOGETHER, WE'RE FRIENDS. I CAN'T REALLY SAY THAT WE
6 WORKED, DON'T WORK TOGETHER AND I DON'T KNOW CONCERNING
7 FRIENDSHIP ISSUES, NOT A HEALTH AND PERSONAL CONFLICTS NOW,
8 BUT THE FACT THAT THEY LUMP EVERYBODY TOGETHER AND I'M THE ONE
9 ON TRIAL EVERY DAY, COMMUNITY CONFLICT TOO MUCH FOR ME.

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11 **SUP. YAROSLAVSKY, CHAIRMAN:** THANK YOU.

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13 **PATRICIA ROCHE:** 120 EXTRA POUNDS AND MY FINANCES.

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15 **SUP. YAROSLAVSKY, CHAIRMAN:** THANK YOU.

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17 **CLERK SACHI HAMAI:** IN ACCORDANCE WITH BROWN ACT REQUIREMENT,
18 NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN THAT THE BOARD OF SUPERVISORS WILL
19 CONVENE IN CLOSED SESSION TO DISCUSS ITEM NO. CS-1, CONFERENCE
20 WITH LEGAL COUNSEL REGARDING EXISTING LITIGATION. ITEM NO. CS-
21 2, CONFERENCE WITH LEGAL COUNSEL REGARDING SIGNIFICANT
22 EXPOSURE TO LITIGATION, ONE CASE. AND ITEM NO. CS-4, PUBLIC
23 EMPLOYMENT, CONSIDERATION OF CANDIDATES FOR THE POSITION OF
24 COUNTY COUNSEL AS INDICATED ON THE POSTED AND SUPPLEMENTAL
25 AGENDAS. PLEASE BE ADVISED THAT THE NEXT REGULAR MEETING OF



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1 THE BOARD OF SUPERVISORS IS SCHEDULED FOR MAY 29, 2012 AT 1:00

2 P.M. THANK YOU.

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1 **REPORT OF ACTION TAKEN IN CLOSED SESSION MAY 22, 2012**

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5 No reportable action was taken on items CS-1, CS-2, or CS-4.

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7 In open session, item CS-3 was continued to June 26, 2012.

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